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Corps of Correspondents.

I want to be a farmer,
And till the virgin soil,
And labor in the sunshine
To stew and sweat and boll;
I want to own large acres,
Where on the rye to sow,
And watch the cornstalks waving
And hear the mortgage grow;
I want to be a farmer
And grow a Hubbard squash,
The big pumpkin and potato,
And other stuff, by gosh;
I want to be a farmer,
I do upon my soul,

I do upon my soul, But I haven't got the money To buy a gopher knoll.

BOWEN'S MILLS.

Bowen's Mills, March 3-Old and cial dancing and pedro party at Street- pledge1. er's, Tuesday evening and an enjoyable time was had.

E. H. Bowen and son sold a span of Norman mares, Monday, to Geo. Rouden of South Wayland.

James Salier and wife went to Belding, Mr. Salier's former home, to visit his father and relatives, Monday.

Ice-houses are about all filled, yet some are finishing up this week.

Elmer Price's little two-year-old boy was taken suddenly sick one day last week and died in a congestive chill. Funeral Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Price have the sympathy of all.

T. B. Moore and C. A. Banfield were looking this country over for stock last week. Mr. Harding of Martin Doster & Co., stock buyers of Prairieville, is expected here soon.

Mrs. Corning has sold her farm of 40 cres to Joseph Jackson.

Enos Gordon has sold his farm of 96 acres to a Mr. Bedford. Consideration along line about two hours late.

Golden wedding, Thursday evening, of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hunt. A good time is expected.

All come out to the school exhibition Saturday evening at Smith's hall.

BOWNE BUDGET. Too late for last issue.

Born to Mr. C. L. Morgan and wife, Friday evening, Feb. a boy.

Born to John Watts and wife, Saturday morning, Feb. 20, a girl.

Mrs. Robt. Johnson is very sick with neuralgia in the face.

Irving Leigh of Lake Odessa is working for Arthur Godfrey.

The Epworth League held its second meeting last Sunday evening. The League is gaining in membership and is prospering finely, for new beginners. The subject for Sunday evening is "The Resurrected Lord "

Rob't Johnson sold 43 hogs weighing 11850 fbs to Forward and Wilson of aledonia last Wednesday, Feb. 17.

Mrs. Elenor Johnson is improving in health at this writing.

The grange is holding its meetings regularly and will confer degrees on a class of three Saturday night.

The Lowell district council will hold its next meeting at South Lowell grange hall Thursday, March 4. Meeting in the afternoon.

The people that went to Albion on sleighs were very disappointed as they had to walk most of the way back, and being jaded and wearing one runner out, they were forced to borrow a wagon and draw the remainder of their outfit

home on wheels. A good many farmers from this place attended the institute or round-up at Grand Rapids last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Augus McDiarmid of Lowell has moved back on his old farm.

this way attended the Grange council

It is rumored that Ed. F. Headworth has sold his farm to John Watts.

Sunday with Robert Johnson's. The League was well represented

ast Sunday and the topic well discussed. Arrangements are being made to ob-There will be a biscuit and honey

social at Rev. Westbrook's Friday eve, The L. A. S. will sell a quilt at auction. Jake Blough has hired out to John Livingston for a second season. Both

Mrs. Walter Salsbury is some better at this writing.

Caledonia, March 3-The Wagner Quartette of Grand Rapids gave a very Carthy. fine entertainment at the M. E. church last Thursday evening.

Village election March 8.

first of the week that his mother had died in England.

Tobias Bergy, formerly of this place, but now of Mt. Pleasant, is in 'own this week introducing the computing scales made at Dayton, Ohio.

Last Friday evening there was a meeting at Kennedy's hall for the purpose of considering the advisability of giving a bonus of \$1000 for a flouring mill to be located at this place. It was unanimously agreed to raise the money and by Saturday noon the committee young folks with old soldiers had a so- had more than the required amount

O. C. Whitney and wife have been visiting at Douglas and Chicago.

A. W. Stowe of Grand . Rapids, formerly a citizen of this place, died Tuesday.

The people's caucus was held in council room Tuesday evening.

C. A. Banfield and lady friend were at Apsey's, Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Brower and Jennie Doyle were in the city over Sunday. H. Z. Ward of Grand Rapids is in

town looking after insurance victims. Dr. Graybiel was in the city, Monday.

Lizzie Brower was in Middleville. The younger Strigler boys are attending the Holiness school at Dutton.

Mrs. Devine and mother were in the Valley City, Tuesday. The 6:25 train Tuesday evening adopted the single standard; came

Albert Miller went to Grand Rapids. Tuesday.

DUNCAN LAKE.

Duncan Lake, March 2-The winter term of school at this place closed last

Mrs. F. Andler visited friends in Leighton last week, returning last Saturday.

Iva Adam and your correspondent were in the Valley City last Friday or business.

Parties are still hauling ice from Duncan lake. The quality is better than ever.

Our miller, Chas. Pike, goes to Moline tomorrow on business for J. E. Kennedy of Caledonia.

Mrs. Myron Kilmer is in Grand Rapids today.

Giles Shepard is having his cellar cemented.

Rev. Mr. Boone of Caledonia called on friends here last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins of Parmelee spent Sunday with Myron Kilmer and

Mr. Gamwell and wife are over near Wayland at their farm. Mr. Gamwell's health is very poor.

EAST CALEDONIA.

Mrs. Carrie Watzenhour of Grand Rapids, is visiting her brother, Lewis Smith.

visiting Mrs. Dan Lewis. Geo. Welton spent Sunday in Clarks-

Miss Nora Nagler of Freeport, is

ville, the guest of his wife. The Epworth League supper at Mr.

Proctor's Friday evening, was well attended and all had an enjoyable time.

adage, March came in like a lamb and look out for a little lion later.

and Sunday with her son, Worthy and family of Alto. William Silcox was in Middleville

Saturday on business. Willie Watts spent Sunday with Ray Thomas.

William V. Thomas is working for

Some from this place attended the debate at Fillmore Saturday night. Question-Which is the most profitable to man, the cow or the horse, and the cow got there.

Wm. Anderson of this place was in Grand Rapids Saturday, on business. Wanted to know-Who took the ax

from the Harris Creek school house. The teacher says if they will bring it back, he will take up a collection and buy them a new one.

Mamie Doyle of Irving, spent Sunday with the Misses Maggie and Mary Mc-

Willie B. Thomas spent the past week in Elmsdale. Scott Lowe will be in the Valley

Mert and Burt Sinclair have purchased a fine colt of Arthur Godfrey of

Burt Sinclair and Peter Thomas were in Middleville today on business.

Martin Cobb was on our street today. Charles Cisler, also John Cerny, sr., are numbered among the sick.

IRVING INKLINGS. Too late for last issue.

Last Sunday morning there were five new members taken into the M. E. church on probation, Mr. and Mrs. Comins, Mable and Clyde Wilcox and Mr. Charles Benton.

Mrs. G. A. Pratt returned from Fenon last week Thursday.

Miss Dayton is spending this week with her sister in Grand Rapids.

The arguments in the case of Strong vs. Hughes commenced Tuesday p. m. before Judge Grove and will close Thursday a. m.

J. A. Robertson is slowly improving. L. J. French of Detroit is out looking after his farm interests.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Strong were in Grand Rapids the first of the week.

Mr. Thompson, who has lived on the Pratt farm the past two years, is moving away.

Miss Pearl Hendershott was home rom Jackson over Sunday. As she will spend her spring vacation in Detroit this will be her last visit until the end of the school year.

Grant Hendershott returned to his work as street car conductor in Grand Rapids last week. We are glad to learn of the interest

manifested in the meetings conducted by Rev. R Gordon in the Congregational church in Middleville. Mary B. Strong is being very kindly

cared for by J. J. Hendershott's family while her parents are in the city. Mrs. John Chambers and daughter,

Vera, returned to Grand Rapids for a visit of a week or two, last week. Mr. J. T. Pierson spent Tuesday in the city.

The Y. P. S. C. E. Sunday will be led by Rev. H. Appleton. Subject, "Opportunities to Do Good-Seeing Them, Using Them."

Communion service next Sunday at Congregational church. Preparatory Thursday afternoon in church parlor. Mrs. L. Baldwin is visiting her sister

in Yankee Springs this week. Mrs. John Chambers will again go to housekeeping in Grand Rapids next

The social last Friday night at Mr. Hills' was a success in every way.

Rev. Mr. Hollister is again among Rev. R. Gordon was calling on friends

here Wednesday a. m. Everyone glad to see him. Rev. H. Appleton called on several families Tuesday afternoon.

LEIGHTON LOCALS.

Leighton, March 2-Mrs. Owen Hooker is very ill with bronchitis. John Skutt has begun working for S.

J. Weber, also Jake Finkbeiner for Wm. Schad. Ernest Barber has returned from Torch lake, where he has been visiting his uncle, and is now visiting his aunt,

Those on the sick list are improving. The Corning school will give an exhibition in their school house Friday evening.

James Kepkey made his first trip on the new milk route from the Carveth farm in Gaines to the Middleville

YANKEE SPRINGS.

Yankee Springs, March 3-D. N Stocking is some better at this writing. The dance at Mr. Holt's, Tuesday evening was not very well attended, owing to bad weather.

Miss Ola Baird is working in Has

Tuesday. Jay Tinker and wife are entertaining

a sister of the latter. The entertainment at the school

(Continued on 8th Page.)

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HARRIS CREEK. Harris Creek, March 1-As the old Mrs. Charles Silcox, visited Saturday Bowne, March 2-A good many from

Mont Tyler.

Jas. Nash and wife of Dakota, spent

parties must be satisfied.

CALEDONIA CULLINGS.

Chas. Forward received word the city for a few weeks as juryman.

Mrs. H. Barrell.

creamery, Monday.

Several from here were in Hastings

house last Friday evening was well attended, about \$7.00 being taken in.

DANGERS OF THE GRIP.

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#### IN FAVOR OF MINERS.

COLORADO LEGISLATIVE COM-MITTEE SURPRISES OWNERS.

Recommend Board of Arbitration, and in Order to Facilitate Matters It Is Suggested that the Old Wage Ecale Be Restored.

No Etrikes on Foreign Labor. The legislative committee appointed to investigate the Leadville strike submitted a report which was, to say the least, a great surprise to the mine owners. Dewar, secretary of the Leadville Miners' Union, says the committee's conclusions are eminently satisfactory to the miners. The committee recommends that a board of arbitration be appointed, two to be chosen by the mine owners and two by the miners, the fifth to be chosen by the four. Whatever decision this board of arbitration shall arrive at must be binding on both sides, and an agreement to that effect must be signed beforehand. To facilitate this much-desired end the committee submits an agreement in full, which will be the bone of contention between the opposing factions. It provides in the first place that the scale of wages in force immedibefore the strike shall be conceded by the mine owners and shall remain in force until the board of arbitration shall have arrived at a decision. The proposed agreement also provides that the mine owners shall recognize labor unions, and that members of unions and non-union men shall work side by side. Further, it is provided that no strike or lockout shall be declared by a labor organization or by an org nization of employers unless by secret ballot. The proposed agreement makes a further proviso that no strike or lockout shall be declared on foreign labor imported without both sides submitting their grievances to the arbitration committee, and that mine owners shall not discriminate against a man because he is a member of a labor union. All differences regarding the future scale of wages must be submitted to the arbitration

ALASKA BOUNDARY TREATY.

Convention Signed by Secretary Olney and Minister Pauncefote.

The full text of the Alaskan boundary treaty signed by Secretary Olney and Sir Julian Pauncefote has been made public. It provides for the appointment of one commissioner by the United States and one by Great Britain, with whom shall be associated such surveyors and other assistants as each government shall elect The commissioners shall, as early as possible, proceed to trace and mark so much of the one hundred and forty-first meridian of west longitude as is necessary to be defined for the purpose of determining the exact limits of the territory ceded to the United States by the treaty between the United States and Russia of March 30. 1867. Inasmuch as the summit of Mount St. Elias, although not ascertained to lie in fact upon said one hundred and forty-first meridian, is so nearly coincident therewith that it may conveniently be taken as a visible landmark whereby the initial part of said meridian shall be established, it is agreed that the commissioners, should they conclude that it is advisable, may deflect the most southerly portion of said line so as to make the same range with the summit of Mount St. Elias, such deflection not to extend more than twenty geographical miles northwardly from the initial point. The location of the one hundred and forty-first meridian as determined hereunder shall be marked by intervisible objects, natural or artificial, at such distances apart as the commissioners shall agree, and the line thus marked, in whole or in part, shall be ed to permanently define for all international purposes the one hundred and forty-first meridian. Each government shall bear the expenses incident to the employment of its own appointees and of the operations conducted by them, but the cost of material used in permanently marking the meridian and of its transportation shall be borne jointly and equally by the two governments.

FONSDEVIELA KILLED RUIZ.

Visited Him in His Cell and Then Beat Him to Death with a Club.

A passenger from Havana, who has landed in Key West, Fla., from the steamer Olivette, informed the correspondent of the Associated Press that Dr. Ricardo Ruiz, the American citizen who was found dead, apparently beaten to death, in a cell prison of Guanabacoa, was killed by Fonsdeviela, the Spanish governor of Guanabacoa. The passenger explained that the governor, Fonsdeviels, visited Dr. Ruiz in his place of confinement and savagely questioned him. Ruiz resented the governor's brutal manner and this so angered Fonsdeviela that he seized a club. struck the unfortunate man on the head and so caused his death.

River Coal Miners Go Out.

The strike of the river coal miners in the vicinity of Pittsburg, which was de-layed on account of the high water flooding the rivers, was inaugurated Wednesday. The number of men out is not known, but the miners expect the strike to be general along the Monongahela valley. in which event 7,000 men will be involved. The men are striking for 21/2 cents per bushel in the first three pools and 2 cents in the fourth pool.

An Outbreak is Feared.

A special received from Larissa, Greece, says that 20,000 Greek troops are concentrated there and that the greatest activity prevails. The dispatch further states that it is believed at Larissa that general hostilities will immediately begin on the frontier in the event of Greece not being allowed to annex the island of Crete.

Flack Hills People Frotest.

By the order of President Cleveland to add 42 townships of the Black Hills to the forest reserve, 25,000 people, who have their homes in that section, which comprises the timber and lumber section of the Black Hills, will be rendered home The hills are also gold-bearing.

Forty-six Men Massacred. Further details from New Guinea of the massacre by the natives of Manbare, in which the governor resident was killed. say that in addition six miners and forty astives were murdered.

MAY QUIT CIVIL SERVICE.

Gen. Grosvenor Eays McKinley May Revoke Cleveland's Order.

A Washington correspondent says that

President McKinley is likely to suspend or revoke the sweeping civil service order of President Cleveland, whereby nearly all the offices in the executive branch of the government are taken into the civil service list. Gen. Grosvenor of Ohio, who is one of McKinley's closest friends, and who has been one of his stanchest and most capable political supporters, said: "I believe that President McKinley will revoke or suspend the sweeping order, which took all of the offices into the civil service classification. I have been investigating the matter thoroughly and one of the ablest lawyers in this entire country has given me an opinion covering the case says that an executive can revoke his own deeds, just as a legislative body can reconsider an act. If he should choose to do so President Cleveland might to-morow revoke his order. The executive may change his mind. He may order the army to Mexico, and he may order the army to counter-march, when he changes his mind, and he may send the army to Lower California, or wherever he pleases. It is not probable that Cleveland will change his mind on the civil service order, but it is within his power to revoke his own act. His successor will not be bound by Cleveland's action. McKinley will be President and will administer the executive branch of the government in his own way. He can revoke that order, and I believe that he will do so."

TO DESTROY THE DERVISHES.

Nile Expedition Will Be Equipped with Ter-

rible Weapons of War. Late news from Cairo fixes the start of the expedition in the upper Nile for June. The Egyptian forces will number 22,000, strengthened by Anglo-Indian forces to a grand total of 32,000. The new gunboats now being completed in England for the expedition carry six machine guns and one 12-pounder each. They have 'only two feet of draught, are twin-screw boats, and carry their big gun forward. these formidable craft will be at the service of the expedition, and will carry the most terrible weapons of war the Dervishes have yet encountered.

COLORADO WANTS BUSINESS.

Commercial Representatives on a Through the South.

A large delegation of business men from Denver and other prominent cities of Golorado, including delegates from boards of trade and other commercial bodies, have gone for a three weeks' trip through Kansas, Missouri, Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana. The purpose of the trip is to attract attention to the resources of Colorado, its interests, railway facilities. etc., with the view of establishing closer commercial relations between it and the States of the Southwest.

Native Police Inadequate.

Because a white man killed a red man n a quarrel there is talk of an Indian raid upon unprotected white settlers in the vicinity of the place where the murder was done, a village a dozen miles from Yerington, Nev. The militiamen were or-dered to be in readiness to assemble at the armories when summoned. A special train, with the locomotives fired up, was kept in waiting all night. It is said that the Indian police at the reservation proved impotent to restrain their dusky brethren from going on the warpath. Should the situation be found serious by Adjt. Galusha the families of the settlers in the valley will be sent to the towns of Yerington and Wabuska for protection. There no wire between Yerington and Wabuska, which is thirteen miles from the latter point, and it is fourteen miles from there to the Indian camp in the mountains ordering Mason valley, making a round trip of fifty-four miles to be covered on orseback by couriers. The number of Indians in the State, according to a corre spondent, is estimated at between 5,000 and 6,000-4,000 Piutes and 1,000 or more Washoes. The number on Pyramid lake and Walker river reservation is placed at Normally there are about 150 Piutes in Mason valley, and with those at the reservation the tribe could muster a formidable well-armed force in case of hostilities. The white population of Mason valley, outside of the towns of Yerington and Wabuska, is estimated at 300, and property are in jeopardy. The Nevada guard comprises five companies of infantry and one battery of artillery. The Reno guard is equipped with a gatling gun, but the artillery company has only two antiquated smooth-bore guns of eigh teen pound caliber. In an emergency 500 volunteers of the right material to take he field could be raised on the Comstock in a few hours. Many of them are old Indian fighters and still hold a grudge against the Piutes for atrocities commit ted in 1860 during the war in Humboldt County. A message from Gov. Sadler asserts that the Indians are now quiet.

More Life in Trade.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "A large increase in the iron and steel business on account of sales covering eight to twelve months' production of the largest works, a better de-mand for woolen goods and slightly better for cottons, a gain which may prove last-ing in boots and shoes, slightly better prices for wheat, cotton, wool and iron, and a money market well adapted to encourage purchases against future improvement in business, have rendered the last week more hopeful than any other since early in November."

New Line to Venezuela.

Venezuelan Consul Herman Meinhard s authority for the statement that the Illinois Central Railroad, through its general freight and passenger agent, George E. Lary, is considering the establishment of a steamship line between New Orleans and Venezuelan ports. The proposed line would form a part of the regular Illinois Central system. Big Four interests and other large concerns in the Mississippi valley are said to be interested in the pro-

Train in a Washout.

The Chesapeake and Ohio west-bound assenger train encountered a washout opposite Portsmouth, Ohio, and the enine, baggage and express car, mail car and one coach were derailed. A. G. Stont supervisor of the Chesapeake and Ohio, was killed. The engineer, fireman, mail clerks and express messenger were all injured, but not seriously.

Four Persons Cremated. Four persons were burned to death in the oil fields in the interior of West Vir-They were occupants of a disreputable house which was fired by the citi-

FLAMES IN THE FLATS

LIVES IMPERILED IN A CHICAGO APARTMENT HOUSE.

Park Gate, a World's Fair Hotel Damaged to the Extent of \$10,000 or More-Enormous Destruction by Flood in the Monongahela Valley.

Ihmates Barely Escape. Fire in the Park Gate Hotel, Sixty third street and Stony Island avenue Chicago, at 7 o'clock Wednesday morning drove fifty-eight families into the street and inflicted \$10,000 damage. The cause is difficult to determine. The fire started in the boiler room at the foot of elevator shaft, and by that opening the flames were almost instantly conduct ed to every floor in the building. The fire burned savagely, and the first engines to arrive were unable to cover all the points of attack and other alarms were sent in successively until the fire had been placed under control. The Park Gate Hotel was built just before the opening of the World's Fair, and was run until the end of 1893 as a hotel. Later it was remodeled and is now a flat building, with suites of from three to eight rooms. Its advantageous location, at the very gates of the Stony Island station on the alley elevated road and on different lines of surface tracks, has insured its occupancy from top to bottom. It is five stories in height, 350 feet in length on Sixty-third street and 75 feet on Stony Island avenue. So early did the fire start that many of the residents were still in their beds. There was no escape by the elevator or main stairways, as the fire raged there most fiercely, and only the fire escapes on the outside of the building offered a way to the group for children, invalids and women, as well as for the scores of men who tried vainly to save and remove some portion of their belongings. The building is said to be insured for \$85,000. Its total value is said to be \$160,000. The building is one of the few permanent World's Fair struc-

BIG FLOOD IS RECEDING.

Cold Wave a Blessing to the Inundated Districts About Pittsburg.

The great flood has done its worst in the vicinity of Pittsburg, and the waters are now receding. A cold wave, which came up suddenly, broke the back of the flood and the reports from all points between Pittsburg and the headwaters indicate that all danger has passed. The rivers reached a higher stage than at any time since 1884. The Monongahela registered 29 feet 6 inches, and the Allegheny 30 feet 9 inches, and after remaining stationary for several hours began slowly to recede. Hardly a point in the Monongahela valley from Fairmont to Pittsburg escaped damage by the flood, and in many places the high-water mark was covered Mills, built supposedly out of harm's way, were submerged. Works along the river were shut down and workmen forced to flee from the rising tide. The damage can only be approximated, but it is not less than \$1,500,000 in the Monongahela valley. From the headwaters of Youghiogheny also came a torrent that brought with it destruction to valuable property. Railroads were unable to move trains, in some places the tracks being so far below the surface that only the tops of gondola cars were visible. Beneath several feet of muddy water and debris there are millions of dollars' worth of valuable machinery. What ruin has been wrought cannot be told until the waters recede. Eighteen lives have been lost. These are nearly all distributed through West Virginia and Kentucky towns.

AMERICANS LINES FAVORED.

German Commissioners Report on Ameri-

can Rairoads. Some time ago the German Government sent a commission to this country to study the American railroad system. The result is a report just published and trans mitted to the State Department by United States Consul Monaghan at Chemnitz, in which, with a frankness almost unknown in such cases, the commissioners contrast the American and German railway systems much to the disadvantage of the latter. The report will be of much interest to railway men and even to the general American public, for it shows that notwithstanding the criticisms that have been heaped upon our own railroads for high charges, insufficient passenger accommodations and the like, in every point this country is far in the lead of the continental systems. The scale of prices included in the report shows in favor of American rate for comfortable carriages, while in the matter of schedule time the European railways cannot be classed at all with the American lines. There is nothing in all Europe, the consul says, to equal in running time and comfort the service between New York and Chicago.

Claims Good Grounds.

At Guthrie, O. T., Mattie A. Stewart, a half-breed Osage Indian, has filed a suit for divorce in the United States Court against James Stewart, an actor. plaintiff alleges that the defendant is now on the stage in Chicago and has three living wives. She further alleges that he married her while with a wildcat theatrical company and cheated her out of \$4,-The plaintiff wants a divorce and \$200 alimony.

Six Are Killed by Cynamite.

Six persons were killed and several injured by an explosion of nitro-glycerine at Nobel's dynamite works, Ayrshire, Scotland. The explosion was heard fifteen miles from the works, and the concussion extinguished the gas lamps at Kilwinning, three miles away.

Foreign Priests Farred.

The Missouri Legislature has passed a law which prohibits any person from solemnizing marriage who is not a citizen of the United States. No foreign bishop or priest can legally perform the marriage ceremony in Missouri until he becomes a citizen of the United States.

Will Search Cuba for a Cadet. The parents of Russell Montgomery, the cadet who disappeared from Annapolis ten months ago, will look for him among the insurgents in Cuba. Almost every portion of the globe has been searched for some trace of the young man, but so far

no clew has been found. Only Sixty-one Men Escaped. A dispatch received from Constantino-ple says that the Turkish Covernment has informed the ambassadors that two companies of Turkish troops were cut up by the insurgents at Voukolies, and that only one officer and sixty men escaped.

POWERS HELP THE TURK. Britain Leads Italy, Germany and Russia in

the Detestable Eusiness.

Canea dispatch: A fusillade having continued since morning, despite the warnings of the foreign admirals, the united squadrons bombarded the insurgent camp outside of Canea. At 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon H. M. S. Dryad, H. M. S. Harrier and H. M. S. Revenge, together with one Italian, one German and with one itsian, one German and one Russian ship, opened fire on the Cretan position where the Greek fing was holsted some days ago, and ruised the house held by the Cretans. The fing was soon lowered and the order "cease fire" sounded after ten minutes. Thereupon the fing was reholsted. The rocks around were crowded with Cretans. The Turks, epoquipment had been proped a lively encouraged by the fleet, opened a lively fusillade while the Cretans were removing the wounded. The Cretana had not replied during the whole performance. was a somewhat melancholy and degrading spectacle. The foreign admirals have warned Col. Vassos, the commander of he Greek forces on the Island of Crete of their intention to attack his troops with four men of war anchored off his camp,

Aghioi Theodoroi, should be attempt to

dvance to the interior of the island.

Fortune for a Suit. A well-known Portland business man, ust back from a trip in Idaho, voucher for the truth of this story of phenomenal ly good luck. About two weeks ago a miner offered Morris Yenzel, a Moscow Idaho, tailor, a handful of mining stocks for a suit of clothes. Yenzel refused that sort of currency in payment for his labor and goods on the ground that he had no luck in stocks. He remarked that five rears ago a miner gave him 5,000 shares of stock, then supposed to be worth 1 cent a share, for a suit of clothing. He never realized anything on the stock. The miner jocosely said that if it had been Leroi stock it would have made him rich. tailor was startled and replied he was quite certain that that was the name of the stock. He could not remember what he did with it, as he never expected it to amount to anything. A few days later Yenzel went to the suspended Moscow National Bank for an insurance policy and some other papers deposited there, among which he found the missing 5,000 shares of Leroi stock, now quoted at \$8 per share, with accrued dividends. The Leroi owners have been negotiating with an English syndicate for the sale of the property, but the latter declined to accept the mine without the transfer of every of stock so far issued. 5,000 shares was long advertised for, but now there will be no obstacle to the sale of the property if the owners come to Yenzil's terms. He demands \$20 a share, or \$100,000 for the whole, and will prob

These Have Portfolios 'A Washington dispatch says that Presi dent McKinley's cabinet will be organized as follows: Secretary of State, John Sher-man of Ohio; Secretary of the Treasury, Lyman J. Gage of Illinois; Secretary of War, Russell A. Alger of Michigan; Secretary of the Navy, Joha D. Long of Massachusetts; Attorney General, Joseph McKenna of California; Secretary of the Interior, J. J. McCook of New York; Postmaster General, James A. Gary of Mary land; Secretary of Agriculture, James Wilson of Iowa.

Crushed to Death.

John R. Boyden, president of the Boy den Lumber Company of St. Louis, which has large mills at Neeleyville, Ark., was killed at the latter place. Mr. Boyden was caught in the mill machinery and horribly crushed. He was reputed a millionaire. His life was insured for \$500,000.

Railroad Wreck in Kentucky.

The Norfolk and Western express train ran into a washout near Lovelette, Ky., wrecking the engine, baggage car and two coaches. Engineer Pennington and Fire man Mayfield were dangerously injured and a brakeman, name not learned, was fatally injured.

Mail Train Wrecked.

The mail train on the Cresson branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad crashed into a box car near Ebensburg, Pa., and was badly wrecked. Five persons were seriously hurt and a number of others sustained slight injuries.

Gambler Shoots Two Women At Missoula, Mont., William Morley, a gambler, shot and killed Blanch Renaud, and, after failing to shoot himself, jumped into the river, where his frozen body was found with his threat cut.

Corner in Kentucky Whisky. August Belmont & Co. of New York are said to have agreed to finance with \$15,000,000 the consolidation of 515 distilleries in Kentucky.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.50; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 72c to 74c; corn, No. 2, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2, 15c to 16c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 34c; butter, choice creamery, 17c to 19c; eggs, fresh, 16c to 17c; potatoes, per bushel, 20c to 30c; broom corn, common short to choice dwarf, \$35 to \$80 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, good to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 83c to 85c; corn, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c.

St. Louis-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 88c to 89c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 20c to 21c; oats, No. 2 white, 16c to 17c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 32c.

Cincinnati-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 88c to 90c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 23c to 25c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 17c

mixed, 23c to 25c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 17c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 35c to 37c.
Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 85c to 87c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 22c to 23c; oats, No. 2 white, 19c to 21c; rye, 35c to 36c.
Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 86c to 87c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 22c to 23c; dats, No. 2 white, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 86c to 37c; clover seed. \$4.70 to \$4.80.

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Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 73c to 74c; corn, No. 3, 18c to 20c; oats, No. 2 white, 17c to 19c; barley, No. 2, 28c to 32c; rye, No. 1, 34c to 36c; pork, mess,

\$7.50 to \$8.00. Buffalo—Cattle, common to prime shipping, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, medium to best, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, common to prime natives, \$3.00 to \$4.50; lambs, fair to extra, \$4.50; to \$5.50.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs,

\$3.50 to \$4.25; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 83c to 85c; corn, No. 2, 28c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 22c; butter, creamery, 15c to 20c; eggs, Western, 15c to 18c.

MASSACRE IS FEARED | NATIONAL SOLONS.

HAVANESE FREELY EXPRESS HATRED OF AMERICANS.

Chban Advices Say that Unless Something Firm Is Done at Washington, Americans on the Island Are in Danger of Their Lives.

Americans Fear Slaughter. A special from Havana via Key West says: "Americans are flocking in from the country. The position of our citizens

s most critical. The rumor, whether true or false, has gone abroad that the American Government would not intervene so long as the trade interests of the country Unless some are not interfered with. thing firm and decided and strongly American is done by our Government in Washington, Americans are in danger of their The murder of Ruiz and the demand for the release of Scott are the sole topics of conversation. The Government and palace people here tried to change the subject of conversation by giving out news of an alleged skirmish with Gomez, but the attempt was a failure. The amusement and the great hilarity which were observed at the palace have changed; Minister De Lome, always accurate as a news gatherer, has cabled the captain general that Lee will not be recalled; his resignation is not accepted, and that he may be sustained. Hundreds of cablegrams are pouring in on Gen. Lee from every quarter of the globe, congratulating him on the stand he has taken, those from the United States promising patriotic action in Congress. Even at this critical tion in Congress. Even at this critical moment, and with many heavy cares and responsibilities which the administration should share weighing upon him, Gen. Lee views the question from a calm, dispassionate standpoint, and he expresses the hope that the situation created by the murder of Ruiz, and his own determination not to submit to another similar atrocity, should not be exploited by partisan advocates of any particular policy toward the island of Cuba.'

INDIANA WOMEN MAY NOT VOTE.

Cecision Against Helen M. Gougar Affirmed

by Supreme Court.
The Indiana Supreme Court has afirmed the case of Helen M. Gougar against the election officers of her preinct in Lafayette, in which she claimed the right to vote at a general election and brought suit against the election officers to compel them to receive and count her ballot. In pronouncing the opinion of the court, Judge Hackney said that the ques tion presented in the case is whether wom n have, under existing laws in the State of Indiana, the privilege of suffrage, and whether sex is a qualification upon the rights to vote for public officers. He then proceeded to show that under the consti tution women cannot vote and that this provision of the constitution is not in conflict with the constitution of the Unit-

FIVE SKELETONS ARE FOUND.

Ghastly Discovery Made by Workmen at Riverton, N. J.

While workmen were digging a trench on the property of Henry C. Dreer, near the Delaware river front, in Riverton, N. J., they unearthed five human skeletons. A physician who examined the skeletons said that one gave evidence of comparatively recent burial. The latter was an parently the bones of a white man of mature years. The skull was fractured and seemed to have been crushed in by a blow. No definite theory can be advanced as to how the skeletons came there. The spot where they were found is back of the Faunces' fish cabin, which is used by shad fishermen in the spring.

FEUD CAUSES ANOTHER DEATH.

John Grossom is Killed in Oklahoma Territory,

The feud in Oklahoma between the Lurtin and Grossom families, which gave rise recently to reports that the town of Stroude had been raided, has resulted in another killng. John Grossom, the elder, was shot to death in front of his own house in the Creek country by Deputy Sheriff Bentley, who was one of a posse that attempted to arrest Grossom and his two sons, Solomon and Garfield.

Early Blaze in St. Louis.

At . 2:30 Wednesday morning flames were discovered breaking forth from the roof of the Merchants' Exchange building in St. Louis. The fire started in the ele vator shaft, presumably from defective light wires, and spread to the offices on the top floor. The damage was confined principally to the eastern, or office, por tion of the building and was mostly caus ed by water, with which the roof was flooded. The loss is \$60,000, fully covered by insurance.

Buys American Rails

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has placed an order with the Carnegie company for 65,000 tons of steel rails. At the lowest rate since the break in prices this involves an expenditure of considerably over \$1,000,000. At the rate now quoted in the open market-\$20 per ton-the purchase would amount to \$1, 300,000.

\* Bank of Tonawanda Closed. The German-American Bank of Tonawands, N. Y., was closed by order of Superintendent of Banks Milburn, on the ground of insolvency.

Greeks Will Not Retire. King George and his government reit-erate that it is impossible for them to retreat from their decision in regard to Crete, which is supported by the entire

Eultan is Alarmed. It is reported on good authority that the sultan has ordered 17 divisious of the

army mobilized to enable him, with the irregulars, to put 200,000 men in the field. 80.000 each against Greece and Bulgaria,

s proceeding rapidly. To Pay Eugar Founty Claims. The Appropriations Committee of the Senate has inserted in the sundry civil service bill an amendment carrying \$1. 085,156 to pay additional sugar bounty

the remainder as a reserve. Mobilization

Missouri Editor's Good Luck.

Major John L. Bittinger, editor of the St. Joseph. Mo., Herald, has been selected to succeed John L. Peake of Kansas City as minister to Switzerland. The mission pays \$5,000 a year and is one of the most pleasant, though not the most profitable, missions

REVIEW OF THEIR WORK AT WASHINGTON.

Detailed Proceedings of Senate and

The Legislative Grind.

ment to the Country at Large.

Louse-Bills Passed or Introduced

in Either Branch-Questions of Mo-

The Senate spent its first hours Monday in listening to Washington's farewell address, read by Mr. Daniel (Va.), and then resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill for a time. The Loud 1-cent postal bill came in for some sharp criticism from Mr. Butler, Mr. Stewart, and others. The House passed the general deficiency appropriation bill and began the consideration of the last of the money bills, that providing for the naval establishment. A long debate occurred over the propriety of the appropriation of \$1,310,000 for the Southern Pacific Railroad under the judgment of the Court of Claims, but the House by a vote of 102 to 138, refused to strike it out. The members who favored the appropriation for the repayment to members of the last Congress of salary withheld from them. on account of absence carried the fight into the House, but were beaten, 92 to 122. Sixteen of the forty-eight pages of the naval bill were completed.

The House sent the naval bill, the last of the appropriation bills, to the Senate Tuesday. It was passed practically without amendment. The feature of the day was a political debate which occurred late in the afternoon on the subject of civil service reform. It developed during the consideration of a bill, which was finally passed, to permit the Governors of the territories to appoint certain officers of the territories in case of vacancies without the consent of the legislative councils, which is now required by law. The Senate made slow progress on the appropriation bills, disposing of only one item of the Indian bill, it being that directing the opening of the Uncompangre Indian reservation in Utah. It involved a conflict with the executive branch, which has steadily resisted opening these lands, on the ground that they contained valuable mineral deposits. Mr. Vilus endeavored to have a royalty reserved to the Government, but was defeated in this and the clause was agreed to after an all-day debate. During the day a resolution by Mr. Mills, of Texas, was adopted, asking the President for information as to the death of Dr. Ruiz at Guanabacoa, Cuba.,

Most of Wednesday was devoted to District of Columbia business. The conference report on the bill to define the rights of the purchasers of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad under the foreclosure sale was adopted. Attention was recalled to the Cuban question in the Senate by the presentation of three resolutions on that subject. One of these came by unanimous vote from the Committee on Foreign Relations and called for the immediate and unconditional release of Julio Sanguily, held at Havana. Another resolution by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, calls on the President to effectively protect American citizens in Cuba, and for that purpose to send battleships to Cuban waters. A third resolution, by Mr. Hill, of New York, was agreed to, requesting the Secretary of state for the correspondence with Consult General Lee relative to Americans imprisoned in Cuba. A sensational episode occurred late in the day during the consideration of the Indian bill. Several of the New England Senators had criticised various items. This aroused Mr. Pettigrew, in charge of the bill, to some caustic recitals of barbarities practiced against Indians in Massachusetts in the early days. Mr. Hoar defended his State, and amid impressive silence arraigned Mr. Pettigrew. a New Englander by birth, for "befouling the nest in which he was born." Little progress was made on the Indian bill, and Mr. Allison warned the Senate that the status of appropriation bills was most dangerous.

Representative Sulzer, of New York, Thursday introduced a bill in the House declaring war between Spain and her colonies and the United States. A resolution calling on the President for all incorning the t American prisoners in Cuba was adopted. The Senate was storm-swept by such passionate debate, such extraordinary demonstrations in the crowded galleries and such frantic personal exchanges between the conspicuous figures of the Senate as to make the day one of the most memorable in the annals of the upper branch of Congress. Cuba was the theme and it seemed to call forth all the pent-up emotions of months. It brought about the complete displacement of appropriation bills, threatening their failure, and the advancement of the Cuban question to the very front of Senate business.

Cuba was again a topic in the Senate Friday, from 1 to 4:30 o'clock; but the debate upon the Sanguily and Agguirre resolutions was comparatively spiritless, and resulted in no definite action. The first half hour of the evening session was given to private pension bills, the pension calendar being cleared. Among the bills passed was that pensioning Gen. Cassius M. Clay of Kentucky at \$50 a month. At 8 o'clock the consideration of the Indian bill was resumed, the amendment relating to the five civilized tribes being discussed at great length. The amendment as finally agreed to gives the United States exclusive jurisdiction over all civil and criminal cases, abolishing the native courts. Two additional judges are provided for the territory. The bill was then passed. The House passed the Senate international monetary conference bill by a vote of 279 to 3. It was supported alike by Republicans, silver Republicans, gold Democrats and silver Democrats. Bills were also passed to provide for the arbitration of differences between the carriers of interstate commerce and their employes (known as the Erdman bill), and the Senate bill to prevent the importation of impure tea.

Gov. Thornton has placed the local company of infantry on guard at the penitentiary at Santa Fe, N. M., on account of the discovery of a plot to blow up the building on the part of friends of the four members of the Borrego gang of as-sassins, who were condemned to be hang-

Capt. J. M. Brinker, who has been ma New York for some time booming the proposed Pan-American exposition too be held in 1900, has announced that the exposition would be held in the neighborhood of Niagara Falls, and that its success was assured.

Some four score veers or more see In puritanic age, Priscilla's greatest treasure was Her wheel, then all the rage, 'And many a "spin" on it she took, And truth, too, many a "reel, The while she looked so dainty, many a Heart she needs must steal.

Small wonder John came courting, and

Love quite lest his head; So swiftly did the noiseless wheel Obey the stately tread. While every revolution took him Farther on the way;

'Ah, maids were sweet, and love was fleet, E'en though austere the day.

yet, methinks, times have not changed So greatly after all; As tribute, just as many hearts, To our own maiden fall.

When on the highway spinning, in her "Tam" and cutaway. Dan Cupid on her shoulder rides, With arrows keen to slay.

His little belt is hung with hearts, Gay cyclers, have a care; Lest "scorching" past, a roving dart Should catch you unaware.

What though one held the spindle; one The handlebar clasped tight; 'Aye were maids the same sweet pattern, Love but love through time's despite. Kings and Queens of the Range.

#### WHO CARRIED THE KING'S DISPATCH?

Ere I could step across the kitchen to unbar the door the knock came again, sharp and hard, as though the man without were in no mood for delay. I lifted the latch and threw wide the door, and in the light of the lanthorn saw his hand lifted in the act to knock

"In the king's name," he says, with one foot across the threshold. "And welcome," says I, and made

way for him. He stopped, glancing over his shoul-

der at the horse. "Nay," says I, "have him in, too. There is naught to spoil," I says, look-

ing around me, "but if there were, he would be welcome. We are for the king," says I. willing to make him comfortable on the main point. He pulled the horse inside. When I

turned to it from barring the door l saw at a glance there was not another half mile left in it. The next moment it dropped to the floor with a sharp groan.

"'Tis the most cursed luck," says he. "Sure, I have been followed by ill fortune-" He broke off and looked suspiciously at the door and window. "You are well protected, master," he says, turning his eyes to mine.

"We can stand a tilt," says I. "Rest easy on that score."

"A quart of old ale made hot and poured down its throat," says I, as much to myself as to him, "will do it no harm, and may do it much good."

Standing by the pan and keeping my fingers in the draft that I had mixed so that I could tell when the right heat was attained, I took a careful look a the man at my side. He was of my own size and build—a tall, square fellow with a deep chest and square shoulders straight as a pikestaff, and having a certain stern look about his mouth and eyes. His uniform was very plain, but there were jewels in the hilt of his sword, and the feathers that dropped from his hat, draggled as they were were rich and thick as a gallant's should

Between us we poured the ale down the poor beast's throat.

"There's naught to hope for in him to-night," says he, gloomil usual ill fortune-

He gave me a quick, curious stare. "So you are for the king, farmer?" he says. "'Sdeath, 'tis a piece of the rarest luck that I chanced to knock at your door! I am at the most desperate pass, but you are for the king, eh? says he, with emphasis.

"I said so and mean so," says I. "'Tis necessary to be sure of things in these times," says he, with a sigh of relief, "and I have that to tell you which I would not wittingly tell to the king's lightest enemy. Here I am," he says, lowering his voice, "carrying a dispatch of the strictest importance to Rupert and Newcastle at York-hark you, farmer, 'tis the king's own signature that foots it-and I find myself stopped"-his eyes wandered to the horse-"and followed"-they turned uneasily to the door.

"Followed!" said I. "As I said," said he, coolly enough. "They have been at my heels for the iast ten miles; three of them there are, and all well mounted, plague take

them

" without, then?" says I. ere within 200 yards of me surned in at your gate," says But where they are now, the 40 WS."

I opened the shutter of the hatch and got out into the little garth between the great ash and the hedgerow, taking good heed not to crack even a dry twig, when I became aware of three troopers.

They were out on the road, and each man sat his horse in such a strict quietness that you might have sworn horse and man were of bronze or marble.

'That he turned in here," says one. "is certain. Why he turned aside is not so certain. But if he carries dispatches for Rupert at York 'tis certain that he must go northward along this road. And so the question is where to stay him in his progress.'

"I know this country, every inch of it," says the third man. "Leave it to me. Two miles ahead lies Marshford common-there's no likelier spot 'twixt here and York-as desolate a waste it is as you could wish."

into the coppice and waited for his coming forth.

The man sat on the edge of the table, just as I had left him. "They are without," I says, turning toward the fire; "they will wait your going forth and then follow you to Marshford common, where they propose to take you in the rear.

master farmer, are we to be outwitted by three crop-eared roundheads?" "'Tis the king's dispatch?" says I. His eyes fixed themselves on mine and

I saw the white teeth shut slowly down on his lip. "There is some plan in your head,"

says he.

I sat down on the settle. He looked at me for a moment, and then put his hand within his doublet and drew out a thin packet of blue silk, and there was writing on each side of the knot. His finger pointed to a word in the cor-"Come," says he, "your plan, farmer," and he put back the packet.

"I am not without horses," says I. I glanced him up and down. "We are much of a build," I says. "If I were on one horse and in your uniform and you were on another in my clothes," I says, "and if I took the road across the common and you followed one that I can tell you of-do you see what I mean?" says I.

"By heavens!" says he. "An' we come through with it the king shall reward you fittingly. But 'tis more like to end in your death," he says, and shakes his

"I'll take my chance of that," says I. 'Come, is it settled between us?"

"Are you a married man?" says he. 'Have you wife and children?" "Neither the one nor the other,"

says I. "A mother, then?" says he.

"In the churchyard, two miles away," says I. He nodded and once more looked me

up and down; ending with a long stare into my face. "I take your offer, friend," says he,

and he held out his hand. "My name is Eustace Blunt." "Mine is Stephen Mann," says I, with

my hand in his. "No better man in England!" says he, with a laugh at his own wit. "Come, I am in your hands, Stephen. What do

we do first?" "First, I shall set out, leading my horse across the paddock to the front gate, thence to ride along the high road. Give me a good ten minutes' start ere you set forth yourself. When your time is up follow the high road for half a mile, and then turn to your right. You

will find yourself in a grass lane. You will follow it for a good three mile ere you come to a sign post, but when you come to that you are on the straight road to York again. And so farewell," says I. Before I had ridden a quarter of a

mile along the road I heard the steady pounding of their horses' feet behind me. I turned in the saddle and looked back—they came over a slight rise in the road, riding abreast. There was that in the steadiness of their pace that gave me a notion of their resolution in the matter.

I might have been half way between the end of the lane where Blunt was to turn off, according to my directions, and the first stretch of the common when a sudden thought caused me to clap my hand to the pocket of my coat. The surprise that came to me as my fingers closed on the dispatch that should have been in Blunt's care and not in mine made me pull up the horse. There I was in possession of his majesty's dispatch, a thing of the strictest import ance, and behind me rode three roundhead troopers that were anxious enough to lay fingers on it. As for Blunt, that should have had it in keeping, he was by that time riding in the narrow lane

a mile in the rear. The common suddenly widened out before me. I saw Dick Pritt's granary roof shine white in the moonlight, for all that we were a good mile and a half from it.

The three of them, still riding close together, were within 200 yards of me. The moonlight struck the polished steel of their breast pieces.

There were four square miles of common and 'twas as tricky a bit of land as a man might find in a day's march. There was a ditch here and a marsh there, and both well hidden by the long, rank grass that grew thick all over the place. A man that did not know the lay of the ground and rode his horse across it with a loose rein was more likely to come to grief than not; nay, if he came within measureable distance of Butter-Bum hole he was like to leave horse, saddle and bridle in its black depths, and think himself lucky if he escaped with his own life.

Ere I had ridden twenty yards into the rank grass the three men gave a sudden shout and dashed across the common to intercept me. I could have laughed with glee-they had not gone a dozen strides before the foremost horse went knee-deep in a ditch and flung its rider over its head. I was in hopes the horse had broken a leg, poor beast, but in a trice the trooper had

picked himself up and remourked. Butter-Bum hole was in front. I must rid myself of one if not two of them in its black depths. If all three would but ride into it and sink fifty fathoms deep there would be less need for all the bother that I foresaw ere his majesty's

dispatch left my hands. When I had suffered them to come within thirty yeards of me the moon suddenly disappeared behind a bank of clouds. But she suddenly peeps out through a little rift, and on the instant I heard a sharp report and caught the whistle of a bullet as it flew past my

head. I went on slowly, holding my horse back, and at the same time calling loudly on him to hasten.

There was not a yard between them Then they talked again and the end as them came to the hole, and each rode

thought they were clearing the whole thing, but the man on the left seemed suddenly to drop to the earth, and over him rolled the fellow in the middle. The man on the right, following the path that I had taken, pulled up his beast, with a jerk that threw it on its

haunches and I saw him turn to gaze

at the men and horses rolling and wal-"Do they so?" says he. "But come, lowing in the mud. "Farewell, my masters!" said I, and laughed long and loud as I cantered off. But I was reckoning a bit too soon, for he sent another bullet whistling after

> me that took off my hat. Looking over my shoulder I saw that the man who had escaped the marsh was following me with determination. He had evidently seized the situation and made up his mind to follow my plans. So in and out we wound, over a ditch here and through a cluster of gorze bushes there, and he made no such foolish mistake as to try to cut me off or to take a shorter route, but held on to my heels.

The horse tucked his big thighs under him and tossed his head-faith, I believe he loved the spirit of the thing as dearly as his rider! And so we went straight across what bit of common there was left, and, skimming Dick Pritt's new fence like a swallow, landed in the lush grass of the Home garth.

There were yet three meadows between me and the sign post, and it was good going over all of them. The air rushed around my hatless head, the stars seemed to dance all across the heavens. The hedgerows shot up in front like ghosts, but we were over and through them and settled into our stride again before I had time to count one.

I saw the sign post, a black, two armed thing, outlined against the sky, at the corner of the last field. We were close on the hedgerow then, and as I settled down for the leap I heard Blunt's horse clattering up the narrow lane to my right. The moon sailed out of the cloudbank; we stared at each other.

"Ah!" says he, "the troopers-"Two of 'em in Butter Bum hole,"

ays I. "The third— But the third must have ridden a rare horse, for at that instant he dropped over the hedge with a force that made the ground shake. We had drawn rein in the middle of the high road, and he caught sight of us and came forward. But within a dozen paces his beast swayed and fell, tumbling him off into the dust. In spite of all his roundheadedness he rapped out a roaring curse.

"'Twas the rarest adventure," I says "I wouldn't ha' missed it for the world." "Why, faith," says he, "you make me envious. The lane was tame enougha mere matter of straight-ahead work.' He said naught of the dispatch. But at the corner of Dead Man's copse drew rein and held out my hand. "T'll go home," said I. "You have no further need of me. We will exchange horses and clothes as you return.'

"Let me keep my thanks till then," says he, giving me his hand. "To-mor now or the next day we shall meet again, Master Stephen."

But ere he broke into a canter I pulled him up and wheeled about again. "Hah!" said I, "I almost forgot to give

you the dispatch," and I handed it over. "The dispatch?" said he. "The dispatch? But surely-"

"So you did not know that I had it?" says I. "Faith, but it lay very near my heart!" and without more ado I turned about and cantered off, leaving him there in the moonlight, staring openmouthed at the packet in his hand. Pearson's Weekly.

Mind and Body.

In many forms of illness of lasting, but not necessarily severe character, the continued low condition of the system tends to bring on an uneasy, vatchful, "nervous

This mental condition often outlasts the physical weakness, and is liable to become chronic. The sufferer's family, and even the physician, are sometimes at their wits' end to effect a cure; for until the patient is roused to the necessity of forcing his body into activity and of forgetting himself, the task is almost hopeless.

He must be urged to give up keeping a watch of his heart-beats and a tally of his pains. He must be shown, gently but firmly, that his recovery is dependent upon the exercise of his own strength of character and power of will, which must direct his thoughts

away from his physical condition. Fright alone may go far to retard or prevent recovery. The terror ocasioned by the bite of a serpent or of a dog is sometimes so marked as greatly to increase the vital depression caused by the absorption of the poisonous con-

tents of the wound. On the other hand, calmness and hopefulness render one less liable to suffer in the face of serious conditions. A phlegmatic patient was recently treated for a fall in which both legs had been broken at the thighs. The patient was calm, doing what he was told, but no more. He regarded his accident philosophically. Contrary to the rule in such serious injuries, no symptoms of shock were present, no rise of temperature took place at any time, and the recovery was rapid and uneventful.

Even in acute illnesses not especially involving the nervous system, a quiet mind, determined to get well is possible, and doing everything to attain that end, is one of the attending physician's best allies.

While well a man should care for his health, not nervously and hurrledly, but with the calmness with which he prosecutes his daily business, observing the laws of health as he knows them, avoiding excesses, and taking the precautions which experience and example have shown him to be necessary. Here one's thought of self should stop. Minute examinations of one's physical state should be conscientious. of it was that they backed their horses at a rattling pace. You would have ly avoided.—Youth's Companion.

#### MICHIGAN MATTERS.

NEWS OF THE WEEK CONCISELY CONDENSED.

Unnatural Act of a Dissipated Port Huron Man-Descendant of a Princely House of Germany Kills Himself at Detroit-Workmen Hurt.

Turned Out of Doors.

John Cochlan, a Port Huron youth of 21 years, was lodged in jail, charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm. Cochlan is the son of highly re spected parents. He imbibed freely, and when he reached home demanded money from his mother. She refused to give him any, and he thereupon knocked her down. The father was awakened and when he at tempted to pacify his son, the latter rushed into the pantry to get a butcher knife. saying he was going to kill him. youth drove the family out of doors, and then barricaded the door. An officer was called, but could not gain admittance, and upon the advice of the family again departed. The son finally cooled down and the family were admitted to the house. Shortly after midnight the son again became violent, and the parents were a second time forced out of doors. The officer was again summoned and was forced to break in the door to effect the arrest The prisoner was examined in the police court, bound over to the Circuit for trial, and upon being arraigned there, pleaded not guilty. Young Cochian has several times been before the police court on the charge of drunkenness.

German Barou Takes His Own Life. Baron and Freiherr Francis Xavier Ludwig Maximilian Van Onyen of Schloss Johannesburg, Bavaria, aged 72, committed suicide at his home, 92 Aberle avenue. Detroit. The baron was a descendant of a princely house of Germany, and also a prince of the French Bour-bons. He was highly educated, and in his youth became an officer in the cavalry regiment of the King of Bavaria. He became involved in revolutionary schemes and fled to this country in 1850. Later he was disinherited, and swore he would nev er revisit his native land. He married a German girl in Baltimore. While living in Lima, Ohio, three of his children died and his wife went insane. Of late years he had been a misanthrope, and he ended his unhappy career by taking morphine. He leaves a married son.

Scaffold Gave Way.
While Oscar E. Wells and William J. F. Qualmann were repairing a barn belonging to Qualmann's father at Saginaw, the scaffold gave way and both men fel to the hard ground, a distance of twenty feet. Qualmann was badly bruised and nis wrist was wrenched out of place, but Wells, who is 68 years of age, sustained probably fatal internal injuries, his scalp being cut so badly twelve stitches were required. They were both insensible for some time from the effects of the fall.

Minor State Matters.

A. D. Ackles of Parma committed suicide by hanging, because he failed to secure an increase of pension.

For the five months ended Feb. 1 there were in the Ionia jail 431 prisoners, of whom 388 were drunks and disorderlies B. Wolf, a farmer living one mile from

Alma, was seriously hurt while unloading logs at Butterfield Mills. His horses were scared by a whistle and started to run Wolf tried to stop them, but was knocked down and run over by the horses and load Three ribs were broken and he was injured internally. May die.

Adam Wenzel, of Kalamazoo, who has been arrested many times for violating the liquor law, was arrested and held to \$1,500 bail on a charge of assault with intent to kill Thomas McDermott, who stood at the foot of the mile hill watching boys and girls coasting. Wenzel came out and said: "I'll show you how to stand around and watch my place," and fired at him, and as McDermott departed the second shot was fired.

A bold highwayman paraded the streets of Flint the other night. He held up Andrew Turner and Martin Skall, but neither had a penny. A few minutes later into the other part of the house, from Frank Wright, a prominent merchant, was confronted by a cocked revolver and made to shell out some cash. Wright at first tried to fight off his adversary his cane, but was unsuccessful. The police were notified and a vigilant search is being made for nightly marauders.

The Genesee County Clerk was arous ed at a late hour the other night by an farmer of Davison, who inquired in breathless tones whether or not his daughter and young man had taken out a marriage license. The young couple had come to the city for a sleigh ride, together with some other young people. On his way home he was passed by the people he had pursued and they all had a good laugh at 'papa's" expense when the latter reached

Last fall a jury in the Ingham Circuit Court gave William Welch a verdict for S3,500 against the city of Lansing for injuries sustained by him by falling into an open cellar. Evidence was offered showing that a barricade was erected to prevent passers-by from falling into the cellar, but that on the night of the injury it was in some manner removed. The Supreme Court found that the city was not negligent, and the case was reversed, a new trial being granted.

Benton Harbor fruit growers are alarmed over the prospect of the appearance of the destructive San Jose scale, which when it presents itself in an orchard, means certain death to every tree. The scale was brought into this country from Australia in nursery stock shipped to Calfornia, and later some of the stock was shipped to other States, Michigan getting her share. The disease has not yet appeared, but the danger from the supposed infected trees is causing much alarm. The only way to arrest the disease when it appears is to destroy every infected

Wilbur Bissell, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bissell, residing near Richland, hanged himself. He had been suffering from mental derangement for the past year. He was a young man of more than ordinary abilities.

While Mr. Geo. Hart was sitting at his home, near Lincoln Lake station, Mr. Hart's brother asked him for his knife, which was open, and George Hart gave the knife to his 3-year-old son to take to his uncle. While the little fellow was going across the room he fell and the blade of the knife he carried went into his heart. killing him instantly.

Iron Mountain will have a new city hall, fo cost about \$6,000.

Cornellus Redner, who readed near Clark's lake, was found dead in his wagon when it reached home from a trip to Jackson. He died of alcoholism.

The Republican State convention has placed in nomination the following ticket: For Justice of the State Supreme Court, Chas. D. Long of Lansing; for Regents of the University of Michigan, William Cocker of Adrian, Charles D. Lawton of Lawton, Van Buren County.

Some Albion ladies who were getting up an entertainment announced as one of the attractions that they would all wear bloomers. A big crowd, principally of the masculine persuasion, turned out, but when they perceived that the "bloomers' were only large chrysanthemums they ooked badly sold,

Deputy County Clerk Frank Shell, of Port Huron, has received a very touching letter from a young lady at Emmett, re questing him not to issue a marriage license to a certain young man of that village, claiming that she was his affianced wife, but had been discarded, and he was now intending to marry another.

At Saginaw, Thomas White, an elderly single man, was terribly burned about the head and face by a fire which broke out in his room. He was carried out insensible by the firemen. White rented a room in a dwelling occupied by Joseph Kalinski. The blaze is supposed to have been caused by White smoking a pipe. He may recover.

A reckless house mover between Musegon and Muskegon Heights moved a house through the wires of the Citizens' Telephone Company, the Muskegon Street Railway and the G. R. I. Railway. The street cars on Pine and Sanford streets were idle an hour. Until a late hour at night railway linemen were engaged in restoring communication. There is trouble ahead for the house mover.

Mrs. J. Thompson had a narrow escape from drowning at Brighton. She went to the cistern to draw a pail of water and her 6-year-old son went with her. As she turned to leave he stepped back and fell She jumped in and by great effort succeeded in lifting out the boy. It was impossible for her to get out. She called to the boy, who ran to a neighbor's, Chas Smith, who came to her rescue and pulled her out. She was in the cistern fifteen or twenty minutes.

The K. T. ball at Fenton, the social event of the season, came to a tragic end by the sudden death of Douglas Van Wert. Mr. Van Wert is the veterar prompter of balls in Fenton. By request he went upon the stage to call off one or two numbers. After calling one or two changes he was seen to fall upon the cootlights and thence to the floor. He died instantly, but his last call was uttered in a clear, distinct voice. Mr. Van Wert was 57 years of age and leaves a widow and daughter.

Frank Burdick met a terrible and unexpected death at Grand Blanc. He was stealing a ride to Detroit upon a freight rain, and when near the village of Grand Blanc the train parted. When the sections came together again Burdick was knocked from his moorings and his body was cut in two, death following instantly. The deceased was 31 years old, and was a resident of Flint, where he leaves a widow and two children. The unfortunate man was bound for Detroit, where his father lives, when he met his awful death.

More recent investigations of the injury lone to the western Michigan peach crop by the severe cold weather indicate the damage to be much less than at first thought. While in the more northerly portion of the fruit belt the peach buds in some localities were badly frozen, the damage was mostly confined to the early varieties, those which are rarely picked r market in seasons when the fruit is plenty. The extensive orchards of southern Allegan County and in the region around South Haven were but slightly damaged, while the same conditions prevail throughout the larger portion of Berrien County.

A fire occurred in Ithaca Monday, which will probably result in the death of Miss Ada Amspoker, a domestic at the home of George P. Stone. In some unknown manner her clothing caught fire vhen she was in the laundry. She rushed there into a closet, setting fire to the clothing hanging there, and then rushed outdoors. Bradley Stone succeeded in extinguishing the flames by rolling her in the snow, but not until she was so badly burned that she will probably die. The house was considerably damaged by fire and water.

A fruit grower in the vicinity of South Haven will this year work the same scheme he did last year on a portion of his peach crop. He had been robbed by Chiengo and Milwankee commission dealers until he was tired of it, and then he went to Chicago himself, rented a small store for \$15 a month in the retail business portion of the city, had his peaches shipped to him and sold them for from twenty-five o forty cents per basket while the commission merchants were paying seven cents. As a result of his scheme he was richer in experience and ready cash, and he will do the same thing this year, beginning with strawberries.

Ald, J. T. Upjohn started out at Kalamazoo to investigate the charges that certain hotel bars and saloons violated law by keeping open Sundays. He visited several places and reports are varied as to the result of his tour. At one hotel he ook the marshal with him and demanded that he break into a room, but the marshal refused, whereupon he was denounce ed as a coward and as standing in with aloonists. The City Council the next night suspended the marshal because he llowed nickel-in-the-slot machines to run in saloons and cigar stores, and it is also charged that his officers repeatedly reported violations of the liquor law to him but he did not investigate the complaints or cause the arrest of violators. The ac tion of the Council is attributed to the Christian Citizenship movement, which was inaugurated by Rev. E. L. Buchanar

A special dispatch from Detroit an nounces the sudden death of Baron Frei herr Francis Xavier Ludwig Maximilian Van Oegen. Perhaps a policeman asked him who he was and the paor fellow chok

ed to death trying to tell him. F. B. Griffin, a young man who has been doing business as the Aetna Manufactur ing Co. and Powers Medicated Sponge Co., was arrested at Kalamazoo on charge of sending obscene circulars through the mails. After an examination he was held in \$2,000 to appear in the United States Circuit Court at Grand

Rapida.

#### MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE

The latest freak bill to find its way before the Legislature was introduced Tuesday night by Representative Dosovan. It provides that when a man reaches the age of 35 and has not taken unto himself a wife, he shall pay a tax of \$25, and \$5 additional for each year after that. If the bachelor victim can stand this cumulative system of taxation until 45, he will pay \$75 for that year, and then he will be permitted to go on in his bachelorhood free from further taxation. A bill for the purpose of wiping out department stores was introduced. It classifies the lines of business which may be carried on in one establishment and groups certain classifications which may be included in department stores. These are to pay a license fee of \$500 a year, and a heavy penalty is provided for violations of the law relative to the lines of goods that may be handled. A proposition has been made to amend the constitution so as to make the regents of the university subject to legislative direction. At present the board cannot be coerced to set in any matter against its judgment.

The last hour fixed by the constitution for the introduction of bills expired Wednesday night. The latest measure in which the Governor is interested requires annual reports to be made by transportation com panies of all kinds, and gas and electric lighting companies. These reports are to be made to the State Bureau of Statistics. which the bill creates. It is proposed to stop the practice of private individuals engaging in the banking business under a corporate title, and also to require all private bankers to submit to inspection and supervision by the State Banking Commissioner. A bill to increase the revenues of the State increases by 1 per cent the rate of taxation assessed against the gross Michigan earnings of all life and fire insurance companies transacting busitotal revenue from this source 50 per cent. A reform bill prohibits the employment of females as barkeepers or as dancers or musicians in any place where intoxicating liquors are sold. Several bills to reduce official salaries were among the 400 bills introduced. The total number now on the files is in excess of that of two years ago, when the record of the State was broken.

An Unusual Call.

"The life of a country doctor is not one of ease and luxury," commented an old practitioner. "A call at night and then a drive, perhaps of five or six miles, up hill and down dell in the darkness of the forest. One night I received a call from a distant farm bouse. Upon arriving there. I found a lad of about eighteen with a bullet wound in his shoulder. I dressed the wound with much care and then the lad with much auxiety observed:

"You won't say anything about this, doctor?"

"'Why not, my lad?' I pitied him in way, for his eyes had a hunted look. and he appeared half famished and

half dead. "Because I received this wound in

escaping from the sheriff.'

"'You needn't tell me.' "I must. I couldn't get. work, sir, and not able to resist temptation, I stole. It was for the first time. F thought you might speak of dressing a wound and then they would know where to find me. If you say nothing, I may be able to leave the country. You have been kind to me, doctor: 1/0

this and—"

" 'On one condition, my lad.' " 'And that is?'

"'You will not steal again.'

"'Would you believe a-a thief?" "'I will believe you."

"'I promise.' "Many years afterward: I received a box of good things for Christmas from California. The next year another box came and so for many years. The only cue I had to the sender were a few words in the first box: 'I have kept the promise I made you, doctor."-Free

Bemarkable Benevolence

The year 1896 was a twelvementh of nore than ordinary hardship in m parts of the world. The gains of the rich were smaller than in the average year in recent times; the fairly well-todo were forced to exercise unusual economy; the very poor were in greater need of help.

The Chicago Tribune publishes a record of charitable gifts in the United States during the year 1896, excluding small donations. It is a fine exhibit. The sums contributed by bequests or direct gifts reached the noble amount of thirty-three and a half million doilars. The amount is said to have been greater in the year recently closed than in any other twelvementh since the beginning of the world. There is no renson to doubt that the statement is true.

The beneficiaries were churches, colleges, charities of various sorts, libraries, museums and the like. Not the least striking entries in the list, filling more than three columns of the paper, are the offerings of unknown donors. It is a pleasant thought that there are unknown gifts, as well as the bestowals of those recognized as givers. and that the quiet helping of deserving persons and worthy objects goes on all the time.

Grateful for splendid charities, the world has even more reason to feel a lively gratitude for the small, unrecorded acts of benevolence that keep eyes from weeping and feet from falling.

A Ripper in Amsterdam.

A series of Jack the Ripper tragedies a happening in Amsterdam, Holland. The last murdered woman, terribly mutilated was found the morning before Christmas.

Alfieri fell in love with a noble lady of Turin, and, determined to effect a cure, had himself tied in a chair and remained thus for a month, during which time he wrote "Cleopatra," and established his reputation as a poet.

Catullus wrote most of his poems to Lesbia, a lady who became conspicuous, even in her own time, by poison ing her husband. His verses abound with expressions indicating the degree of lunacy into which he had fallen,



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THE NEW CABINET.

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Secretary of Interior—Cornelius N.
Bliss of New York.

Postmaster General—James A. Gary of Maryland Secretary of the Navy-John D. Long

of Massachusetts.
Secretary of Agriculture—James Wil-

An exchange heads a paragraph, 'Hanna will not talk." Well, having collared everything he started out for, vhy should he?

Edison celebrated his fiftieth birthlay the other day, but when one considers his accomplishments he seems to ave been at work for several cen-

vill be President McKinley and ex-President Cleveland. The fifty-fourth | Supt. Torrey will speak on "Methods ongress will have expired and will be teld remarkable, principally for what Bible." Rev. W. W. Clark, the emit has failed to accomplish. In the house alone over 10,400 bills and 3,100 resolutions wereintroduced and referred o various committees. Only a fraction of these passed the house, and fewer till became laws.

The magnificent inaugural ceremoies will be over and the entire inhabitants will watch with more interest han ever, the doings at the nation's apital. Gov. H. S. Pingree and staff vere assigned to the honorable position ational guard.

The following taken from the Chicago lerald, should be read by every cigarte smoker and especially by the boys. It is fitting that the movement which is cursed more than any other re known to the cigarette trade. The th the full-grown man who desires to us poison of the cigarette. A man lities and pollute the atmosphere by cking the paper covered coffin to his eart's content. But when it comes to bauching the youth and deadening e moral sense and weakening the ental powers of our school children. e best elements of our citizenship ill arise in vehement protest.' wenty-seven state legislatures have tken the matter in hand and it is to be oped some permanent good may result. 'here are a great many lads (and some f them very small), in our own village iven to cigarette smoking.

TTORNEY GENERAL'S SALARY. The legislature of this state, with the reatest unanimity, and without party ivision, have determined to amend he constitution of Michigan, by giving the attorney general a salary for the reat and important services that he enders the state. The question now is, will the voters ratify and approve of hat which their representatives have done?

It is safe to say that there has not t at would not, with an almost unanimous vote, have given the attorney general a larger salary than that which is now named in the proposed amendment, for the simple reason that they, being on the ground, ascertained the true facts of the case, and from those facts they are convinced that, not only does the interests of the state imperatively require the constant and best service of a most able attorney, but tat by giving him a living salary, t iousands of dollars would be saved to the state each year.

The question now is, as whether the voters of this state can see what is for their interests and vote accordingly. or their services yearly. Or, if this is not done, then the voters must deside to let the matter go on as it has been for the last 40 years—the attorney general receiving no compensation to speak of, residing at his home attending, for the most part, to his own busing, for the most part, to his own busing, for the most part, and when the most part, and the most part, and when the most part, and the most part and the most part and the matter of the matter part and the most part and t iness, and making the great interests the March Review of Reviews by Major money refunded. Lists should be sent of the state subordinate thereto, or Moses P. Handy, who describes the to give up his entire private practice in a twelve-page article, written in for my reliability.

ought not to be a dissenting vote. More and more is it absolutely necessary that the interests of the people should be protected. Constant encroachments, undoubtedly, have been made upon their rights, by those who, finding the field unprotected, have entered in and taken possession thereof.

It is time, as Gov. Rich, in one of his

messages to the legislature, said: "By

paying the attorney general the insig-

nificant sum of \$800 per year (the same

that is paid junitors and messengers).

the state is losing enough each year to

pay a reasonable salary to four attor-

ney generals, through lack of paying a

fair compensation to one." How long

will the voters of Michigan "save at the spigot and waste at the bunghole?" -State Rep. For the past two years the Bible Institute at Chicago has had a special conference for ministers and evangelists and all Christian workers during the month of April. The attendance at them has been such, and the blessings resulting therefrom have been so encouraging, that we shall hold another conference from April 6th to 30th. The regular work will be in constant see-By the time our readers read this it sion. There will be special lectures at two and three o'clock each afternoon. of Reaching Men," and "Teaching the nent Bible teacher, will speak on the following and other topics: "The Old and New Testaments Contrasted and Harmonized," "The Plan of the New Testament," "The Special Features of the Gospels" (illustrated by a large chart), "The Gospel of Mark," "Chrisi in the Hebrews," "The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit." "Law and Grace Contrasted and Harmonized," The Deep Things of God-Six Layers of Truth," "The Dispensations-Past mmediately in the rear of the Illinois | Present and Future," (illustrated by a diagram) "The Book of Revelation." Rev. Wm. Patterson of Toronto, who has been styled the "Spurgeon of Canada," will speak each day. The rate

will be \$5.00 for board and room. If your pastor is already efficient, it will hould have its inception in this city. make him much more efficient. If he is inefficient and yet a worthy man, all ity with the unlimited and unrestrict the greater need of sending him. Our d distribution of the vilest brands that church, as well as other churches, needs something to lift it out of old blic is not disposed to expostulate ruts, and start it on the line of greater usefulness and efficiency, and we know oculate his poor body with the nox of no other way by which it can be done so effectively, so quickly and with so ho has arrived at mature years may little cost, than for our ministers to atsrhaps be allowed to deaden his sensi- tend this conference, and be brought under the influence and Biblical instructions of Mr. Moody and his associate workers.

RAILROAD INVESTIGATION.

Request for the People to Give Investigating Committee Information.

The house of representatives of the state legislature recently authorized the appointment of a special committee to investigate any violations of the laws of this state in regard to freight rates. etc., by the railroad companies doing business within its borders.

The committee is now organized and engaged in its work. It desires to ascertain whether the people of the state who have business with the railroad companies have any just cause of complaint or knowledge of any violations of law. It, therefore, invites through the press of the state any person who has knowledge of excessive rates, of discrimination on the part of companies in favor of one firm, corporation or indible rates or granting special concessions to shippers of such community which are not granted to others. In fact the committee will be glad to hear from any person who has information which will enable it to intelligently recommend any remedial legislation, if any, which may be found necessary. An early response by those interested will be appreciated by the committee.

Address all communications to Hon. John F. Widoe, Chairman, Lansing,

LATE LITERARY NEWS.

The most intensely interesting people of the world just at this moment are The single proposition that is submitted the millions of famine and plague to them is this: To compel the lawyer stricken India. But little is known of who becomes attorney general to take this region by the people of the United up his residence, during his term o States. Such reports as come to us are office, at the seat of government and the things seen through British glasses. rive all of his time and strength to the What has been the effect of British luties of his office, and as compensation | rule in India? Why these terrible or such services the state agrees to famines? Why plagues? Julian Hawpay him the sum of \$3,500, which is thorne has been sent by The Cosmopoljust one-half of that which each mem- itan Magazine to India to obtain anber of the supreme court receives, swers to these questions at first hand \$2,500 less than is paid each of the six and depict the situation as it appears judges of Wayne county, and \$1,500 to an American. The March Cosmoess than the prosecuting attorney of politan contains the first of what is Wayne county and the corporation probably the most important series of counsel of Detroit receive, respectively, articles ever presented in this magaor their services yearly. Or, if this is zine. On sale at Middleville News



"Kidney disease is probably the most fatal of all human allments," says Prof. Munyon. "There is no disease that requires more careful attention. The following are the principal symptoms: Palu in the back, Ioins or groins, drowsiness, dark circles around the eyes, swelling of the feet and limbs, puffy, flabby face, headache, blurred eyestint, swelling under the eyes, bud taste in the mouth, rough, dry skin, nervousness, sleep-lessness, languid, worn-out feeling, loss of flesh and strength, scanty urine, dark-colored, milky or bloody urine, deposits of red sand, gravel or mucus in the urine, frequent desire to pass water and too great a flow. I will guarantee that my Kidney Cure will cure 69 per cent of all forms of kidney disease. When the disease is far advanced and there are other complications, the patient had better send a four-ounce vial of their urine, with full symptoms. We will then make a careful analysis of the water, and advise the best course to pursue to get well, absolutely free of charge." Prof. Munyon puts up a separate cure for each disease. At all druggists, mostly 25 cents a vial.

Personal letters to Prof. Munyon, 1505 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., answered with free medical advice for any disease.

So when a great man dies.

For years beyond our ken,
The light he leaves behind him lies
Upon the paths of men.

—Longfellow.

Torturing, itching, scaly skin eruptions, burns and scalds are soothed at once and promptly healed by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the best known cure for piles. Dr. Nelson Abbott. I have ridden nearly every day this

would not be without a wheel. Reasonable bicycle riding is the best sport any human being can indulge in .- Dr. Jacob D. Patterson. Don't allow the lungs to be impaired

winter, snow or no snow; in fact. I

by the continuous irritation of a cough. It is easier to prevent consumption than to cure it. One Minute Cough Cure taken early will ward off any fatal lung trouble Dr. Nelson Abbott.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Name and Residence.

Age. 

FROM CRIPPLE CREEK.

After the big fire in Cripple Creek, I took a very severe cold and tried many remedies without help, the cold only becoming more settled. After using three small bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, both the cough and cold left me, and in this high altitude t takes a meritorious cough remedy to do any good.—G. B. Henderson, editor Daily Advertiser. For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist.

Every town should have as many good tools for working the road as it can use to advantage; that is, a good plow made especially for road work, a good road this winter I have noticed any quantity of stones piled up along fences on roads that were in a very bad condition: there were enough stones to make the very best of road if they were only crushed and stamped and rolled.—The Milwau-

ADVERTISED LETTERS. MIDDLEVILLE P. O., Feb. 27, 1897. Letters addressed to persons named below remain unclaimed in this office and will be sent to the Dead Letter Office if not claimed by Mar. 13, 1897.

NAMES: Miss Bertha Cole Mrs. Warner Please say "advertised" when asking for advertised letters.

DAVID MATTASON, Postmaster.

DID YOU EVER

found to be peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all Female Complaints, exerting a wonderful direct influence in giving strength and tone to the organs. If you have loss of appetite, constipa-tion, headache, fainting spells, or are nervous, sleepless, excitable, melan-choly or troubled with dizzy spells, Electric Bitters is the medicine you need. Health and strength are guaranteed by its use. Large bottles only fifty cents at J. W. Armstrong's drug

All kinds of job work done at reasonable rates and on short notice, at the Silesias Fancy SUN office.

#### \$100--GIVEN AWAY--\$100 Who can form the most words from

the letters in the word SUCCESSFUL I will give \$50 cash to the one sending the highest list of words from same; \$15 to the next largest; \$10 to next largest. The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh \$5 each, and the next five will receive \$1 each. These prizes are given free and without consideration to advertise my handsome illustrated monthly magazine The Ladies' Evening Hour. Rules of contest: Use only words of English language in singular or plural but not both. Use no proper names nor any letter more times than it appears in SUCCESSFUL. Each person sending list of competitive words must send 30 cents cash or stamps for six months' subscription to Ladies' Evening Hour, or 50 cents for one year's subscription. Every person compelling him, without compensation, leading traits of Chicago's first citizen to give up his entire private practice in a twelve-page article. written in through the conscientious purpose to Major Handy's usually felicitous style. rill, 204 State st., Jefferson, Iowa. 8-2

supamon, ayancham dizziness, are quickly banished by De-Witt's Little Early Risers. Small pill. Safe pill. Best pill. Dr. Nelson Ab-

Fifteen hundred men went to work March 2 at the Riverside steel works at Benwood, W. Va.

If you have ever seen a child in the agony of croup, you can appreciate the gratitude of the mothers who know that One Minute Cough Cure relieves their little ones as quickly as it is administered. Many homes in this city are never without it. Dr. Nelson Ab

COFFEE RAISED FOR ONE CENT PER Circulars free.
J. D. RICE, Utica, Mich.

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Write to T. S. QUINCEY, Drawer 156, Chicago, Secre tary of the STAR ACCIDENT COMPANY, for information regarding Accident Insur ance. Mention this paper. By so doing you can save

accidental injuries.

name implies. Dr. Nelson Abbott. FREE, FREE, FREE A Positive, Permanent Cure

MEAK MEN! We mail free to suffering mankind a recipe of the greatest Restorative on earth (for young or old, suffering from premature decline from any cause. A positive, permanent cure for Sexual Weakness, bost manhood, 'Nervous Debility in any form.

It Cured Me, It will Cure You. This is no scheme to extort money from anyone. When we mail you this recipe we also enclose catalogue of our latest muste publications, etc., etc. By handing same to someone interested you fully repay us for our trouble.

One good turn deserves another.

If you are a sufferer write at once for full particulars and recipe of this simple remedy that cured me, and hundreds of others. It will cure you. Mailed free in plain en-velope. Address

STANDARD MUSIC CO., Mention this paper. Wabasha, Minn.

#### THE NEW YORK LEDGER, membership fee. Has paid over \$600,000.00 for AMERICA'S GREATEST STORY PAPER,

Be your own Agent.

NO MEDICAL EXAMINATION REQUIRED.

A Complete Newspaper and Periodical Submarks of the latest fashion notes and patterns can be found every week on the Woman's World Page. There is always something in the New York Ledger that will interest every member of the family, 20 pages —Price, 5 cents. For sale in Middleville at the News Stand.

## JEWELRY HOUSE

Established Twenty-Nine Years.

Having just added a large invoice to our large stock of Watches, Jewelry, Clocks and Silverware, we invite all close buyers to call and look it over carefully and see if our prices are not below all competition. All our Goods are First-Class and Guaranteed. We handle no Low Grade Goods. Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing solicited. All work first-class or no pay.

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We wish to especially call your attention to these lines as we are putting in three Regular patterns of Semi-Porcelain Crockery, two Decorated and one Pure White. This last pattern is a special bargain. They are thin pure white and we shall sell them at the same price of common white ware. These are special goods and will not last long. In Glassware and Lamps we can give you prices never dreamed of before. Everything from a 2½ cent Tumbler to a \$10.00

## WALL PAPER AND WINDOW SHADES.

We are in it to stay with as large a stock as ever. We are showing over 200 late Stylish Patterns. These lines we have selected with the experience of 28 years and feel sure we can please all who come, both in Assortment, Style and Price. We are also headquarters for all kinds of Window Shades, both in Decorated and Plain, all Colors. Windows measured and Shades made to order and hung if desired. All Shades guaranteed to work perfectly.

By close attention to business we hope to merit a continuance of your favor

M. F. Dowling.





You have seen those new calicoes in our west window. They are very nice and we have more just as nice in-

We are also showing a beautiful line of new

## been a legislature assembled at the capital in the last twenty-five years that would not, with an almost unanitated against by either making more favora-

-34 Inches wide -25 Cents per yard

These are handsome and are sure to please you.

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Yours anxious to please.

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Is a question heard many times every day and the answer is always the same:

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Has all the latest Spring Styles in Men's Youths' and Boys' hats and caps and if you want any thing in that line you will regret it if you don't call and examine his stock.

## **SCHONDELMAYER**

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IRISH CORNER'S BARBER SHOP. Wesend laundry on Wedlesday of each week to the American Steam Laundry. Best of work at reasonable prices.

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- -Butter
- -Knives
- -40 Cents.

One week only.

C. E. STOKOE.

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Is now located next door to Coats & Burr's blacksmith shop. For

SLEIGH AND WAGON REPAIRS And general wood work give me a call.

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IT'S A QUESTION,

And the question which comes home to every one, that of how and where to spend money to the best advantage. We solve the problem fully and triumphantly in our stock of merchandise. It's as full of bargains as the space around us is of air. A bargain is a necessary article at a short price. Never buy what you don't want tany price, but always purchase what you do want at the moment when your money will go farthest.

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Sewing Machines, Repairs and Needles for
All Kinds—I have new Machines and
can sell them reasonable Now is the time-Step up and save your money

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#### READ DIRECTIONS;

You can depend upon them absolutely if we prepare the medicine. Care and the society adjourned to meet with skill insure correctness, and our prescription department is conducted upon the basis of accuracy. To this we add purity and freshness of every drug we carry in stock. This fact explains the high confidence reposed in us by local physicians. You can ask for nothing in the drug line that we cannot supply. Our goods and methods of doing busi-

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Count that day really worse than lost,
You might have made divine.
Through which you scattered lots of frost
And never a speck of shine.
—Bicycling World.

"Josiah's Courtship." March 18.

Village election Monday, March 8. Cong'l Aid society this week Friday. For commercial printing, call at the

C. A. Banfield shipped three decks

of stock yesterday. Chas. Annison shipped four car loads of hardwood lumber yesterday.

There will be a meeting of the village council next week Thursday evening. Lent began yesterday, but many SUN

subscribers will have lent their paper

Special prices all next week on Crockery and Glassware, new patterns, at Dowling's.

W. D. Gardner & Sons have been supplied with printed stationery from the SUN job rooms.

Miss Ora Stokoe closes a very successful term of school in the Coman at the shop of Geo. Sanford on the first district, next Friday. G. D. Whitmore has a new steel

wheeled wagon, which he will put on his Cold Spring milk route. Silverware at half the former price

and no charge for engraving initials. M. F. DOWLING. Turn out and vote Monday. It is a solemn duty you owe yourself to try to

elect the best men on the ticket. Leave orders for Window Shades.

All kinds made to order and put up. M. F. DOWLING. Mr. Wm. N. VanEvery moved the F. L. Blake, W. J. Stimson. last load of his goods, Monday, to Par

melee, where he intends making his home in the future. Money to loan on good real estate se-

curity or approved paper on easy terms. Interest paid on deposit. \* STATE BANK OF MIDDLEVILLE.

It is in the Kalamazoo gymnasium that Guy M. Johnson is in training outside of college hours, instead of

Grand Rapids, as stated last week. The many friends in Barry Co. will be pained to hear of the death of Lemy Jones, which occurred at Deadwood,

South Dakota, Jan. 21, of pneumonia. A number of new fonts of type and other material have been added to the SUN job room, enabling us to give our patrons the latest faces in job printing.

We are showing a good line of Ladies' and Gents' mackintoshes. Come in and look them over.

JOHN CAMPBELL.

Bills are out announcing an auction sale to take place at the Foster Kelley farm 2½ miles west of Dutton, on Wednesday, March 10, at 12 m., by George Davis.

There is already much more than usual interest shown toward the coming village election, it being the first time in many years that more than one ticket has been in the field. On 8th page will be found almost a fac-simile of the ticket; ponder well and vote

The marriage of Mabel Roys to Frank M. Newman of Marshalltown, Iowa, took place at the home of the bride's parents at Florence Mich., on March 2d. The many friends of the estimable bride in this, her former home, will join in wishing them a most happy married life.

J. R. Cook was in Sturgis Monday, where he has purchased a large coal nestly for success this spring as he did and wood business. His many friends are last fall. The nomination came to Mr. sorry to have him remove from our midst, as he is one of our best business licans are as enthusiastic for him on nesday. men and most genial companion. His estimable wife will also be greatly vention his election will be assured. missed from society circles.

The Wagner Male Quartette Concert Company of Grand Rapids, Mich., appeared in Lima last evening. The program rendered was of a very high class. The quartette numbers were beautiful. Mr. E. K. Shaw, basso, and Mr. A. A. Vogelsang, tenor, were especially fine. All the numbers were greatly applauded.-Lima, O., Republican Ga-

The W. C. T. U. and others spent a very pleasant and profitable afternoon Inquire at SUN office. last week Wednesday at the home of Mrs. L. C. Chapman. Mrs. Barnum of Hastings was present and read a very able paper on "Non-Alcoholic Medication." A pienic supper was served and annual meeting.

A. Q. Church's eldest son left his shot gun loaded, standing in one corner of an unoccupied room, where one or two and accidentally discharged it, blowing acres with buildings. Inquire of Mrs. this office and receive reward. 8-2 ness form our double claim to public out a window sash with four lights of Hannah Morgan, executrix. glass. The shot was about equally divided in the corner of the corn crib

Moses Rosenberg has purchased the J. R. Cook lumber and coal stock and will take possession on or before April 1.

Not a Sun subscriber, eh? Well, hed you are missing a lot of news and other things you should know. It costs less than two cents a week. Try it.

I will sell at auction my farm imple-Mrs. R. T. French is in Grand Rapids ments, live-stock, etc., on Friday, March 12th at 10 a. m., one mile north of Par-Moses Rosenberg.

CITIZENS' CAUCUS

Met in opera house at 7:30 p. m March 1, 1897, pursuant to a call. H. E. Hendrick was elected chairman, Wm. H. Severance as secretary and A. Zimmer and John Dietrich as tellers. A resolution was offered to the effect that no taxes be raised the coming year. The following nominations were made:

For President—R. T. French.
For Recorder—Wm. A. Severance.
For Assessor—Charles Annison, sr.
For Treasurer—H. J. Chapman.
Trustee, East Side—John Bristow, sr.
Trustee, West Side—Monroe A. Die-

Trustee, West Side - Marcus M.

J. W. Saunders, Wm. H. Severance. Moved, supported and adopted that he minutes of the caucus be printed. Moved that we do now adjourn.

Village Committee—R. M. Johnson,

#### THE PEOPLE'S CAUCUS

For the village of Middleville was held day of March, 1897, due notice thereof having been given. The following candidates were duly chosen to be voted upon at the village election to be held on March 8, 1897, to-wit:

For President—Conrad Clever. For Recorder—Marcus A. Coykendall. For Assessor-Benjamin A. Almy. For Treasurer—Frank Lee. Trustee, East Side—Theodore H.

Trustee, West Side—John Campbell. Trustee, West Side—John W. Armstrong.

The following persons were chosen for village committee: A. L. Taylor,



A. O. WILKINSON

In selecting Prof. A. O. Wilkinson as a candidate for the office of county school commissioner the republicans of Barry county made no mistake. Mr. Wilkinson graduated at the state normal in 1884, since which time he has been actively engaged in school work. in Dist. No. 8 this week Friday. He is well known in the county, having been principal of the Middleville schools for the past six years. He is well acquainted with the schools in the county, being a member of the board of examiners.

He is possessed in a marked degree of those qualities of heart and mind that preeminently fit him for this position. Thorough and painstaking in his work, pleasant and affable in manner of school commissioner the same marked success that has characterized his school work as a teacher. As the smoke of the recent republican victory has hardly cleared away, it behooves every loyal republican to work as ear- ing. Wilkinson unsought, and if the repub election day as they were in the con-

Watches and Jewelry at half the for- Rapids. mer price. Come and see me. I can make you happy. M. F. Dowling.

ALL PERSONS having book accounts with me, are requested to call and settle at once, as I have sold my business and intend leaving the village 9-2 J. R. Cook.

WANTED-An honest man with family, to work a farm and care for fruit.

8-3 CHAS. BRANDSTETTER.

I have several houses for rent, among them the John C. Smith place on Mrs. M. M. Pinney March 10 for their Arlington street. Will also sell the same at a very reasonable price on easy 9-3 H. E. HENDRICK.

FOR SALE-80-acre farm with new buildings, young orchard, 18 acres tim-J. W. ARMSTRONG and the balance passing over Mr. Church's head as he stood in range on a stack of corn stalks.

Church's head as he stood in range on control office. Inquire M. Rosenberg, one mile north of Parmelee.

#### Personal Points. V>>>>>>>>>>>>

J. C. Otto is in Coopersville. F. D. Pratt was in Hastings Wednes-

M. F. Jordan is in Richland on busi-

B. L. Johnson was in the Rapids

G. E. Gardner is confined to his home

by illness. Mrs. W. K. Liebler is again num-

bered among the sick. E. P. Whitmore is confined to his

home by rheumatism. J. E. Ackerson was in Grand Rapids

Miss Edith Fleming of Nashville was in the village Monday.

Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Calvin Barrell is recovering from her recentillness. Mrs. Chet Cisler was in Grand

Rapids yesterday and today. Harry Cook of the Prairie, is visiting

relatives in Kalamazoo and Albien. Harley Camp has been confined to

bis bed by illness the past ten days. Mrs. J. R. Cook and daughter Mildred, were in Grand Rapids Monday.

days with Mrs. Ralph Brown of Caledo-Mr. Damoth has moved into the Moe

Miss Grace Daniels is spending a few

house at the corner of State and Larkin Mrs. A. P. Dibble went to Ann Arbor

Monday, for treatment of cancer on her Mrs. Guy DeGolia is in Grand Rapids

for a two weeks' visit with friends and relatives. No hopes are entertained for the recovery of Mrs. Fred Gale, we are sorry

Miss Zelia Hamacher of Grand Rapids, is spending the day at G. W.

Matteson's. Miss Kate L. Johnson of this village s now teaching at Burdickville, Leela-

Will-McKevitt and lady friend were guests of his parents west of the village

over Sunday. Schuyler White went to Wymore, Neb., last week, where he expects to re-

main for some time. C. H. Cook and wife of Grand Rapids were guests of P. H. Richards and family over Sunday.

Dr. J. P. Ferguson was in Grand Rapids on professional business on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. M. J. Caldwell, who has been spending the winter in New York state returned home Tuesday. Miss Lena Griswold is in Grand

Rapids for a two weeks' visit with her grandmother, Mrs. Dr. Hazen. Mrs. J. E. Ackerson spent the first of the week in Grand Rapids, the guest

of her sister Mrs L. W. Seeley Miss Nora Nagler of Freeport, will close a very successful term of school

Miss Grace Buss, who has been visiting at Wm. McConnell's, returned to her home in Grand Rapids Friday. The three children of C. W. VanAv-

ery of Detroit, who have all been very low with diphtheria, are improving. Mr. Theo. Jamieson and daughter

Maude, attended the funeral of the former's niece in Caledonia last Monday. Miss Clara Sturgis, who has been making an extended visit in the village

returned to her home in Sturgis, Tues The Evangelist, Gordon, left for his home at Addison this morning, closing a cuccessful series of meetings last even-

Miss Anna Smith, who has been visiting at William Coman's, returned to her home in Grand Rapids, Wed-

Miss May Toot has gone to Hastings for a week's visit with relatives there, before returning to her home in Grand

C. C. Sherwood of Ill., who has been spending several days with his cousin. Mrs. A. Q. Church and family, returned home yesterday.

Miss Nina Downing of Nashville, was in the village Friday and made application to the school board for the tutorship of the intermediate department for the coming year.

Mrs. Eva Talbott and daughter Winnie, left this morning for Jackson, the latter to spend a week or so trim-FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE for Wood, 1 ming in a wholesale millinery store, for McCormick binder, good order, bar- practice, that she may assist in her mother's shop during the spring and summer. Mrs. Talbott will also visit in Battle Creek, and Miss Winnie in Ann Arbor and Albion, before return-

LOST-A gold watch, between the Gate's school house and Middleville FOR SALE-By March 15th, farm bridge. The name Effic Church enof the smaller children got hold of it owned by Fredrick Kepkey estate; 49 graved in case. Finder please leave at

> We always give what you ask for-if you wish our advice we say Brant's Cough Balsam is the best.

"It cured my wife of Chronic Asthma." A. L. Terryll, Devereaux, Mich. We warrant it-25 cents. J. W. ARMSTRONG, Druggist.

tette Concert Company as being the made pension agent at Detroit, to sucfinest company of its kind that ever apceed Major Griffin. peared in our city. Each member pos-

THREW AWAY HIS CANES.

Mr. D. Wiley, ex-postmaster, Black Creek, N. Y., was so badly afflicted with rheumatism that he was only ablo to hobble around with canes, and even Many cases of "Grippe" have lately then it caused him great pain. After been cured by One Minute Cough Cure, then it caused him great pain. After using Chamberlain's Pain Balm he was This preparation seems especially adapted to the cure of this disease. It is canes. He says this liniment did him more good than all other mediants and him more good than all other mediants. acts quickly thus preventing serious him more good than all other medicates disease often leaves the patient.

Dr. Nelson Abbott,

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Armstrong, druggist.

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# THANK YOU-

sesses remarkable talent as a soloist.

Their quartette numbers captured the

audience completely. Wm. Horner,

Pres. E. L , Eaton Rapids, Mich.

E wish to tender our earnest thanks to our friends and oustomers for the immense trade given us during our Great January Sale. Quite a number of our friends were not prepared  $\stackrel{\frown}{A}$  to purchase their HARN + SS at that time, and yet would like to buy one at the same low price. Consequently, in order to give everyone the same chance, we have concluded to continue our special ow prices for thirty days-MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8 TO SATURDAY, MARCH

> -Harness -Horse Goods -Bicycles

-Trunks -Valises

At prices you will not get again in years. We hope to do some business with you.

J. E. ACKERSON.

## It is All New ABBOTT'S LINE OF WALL-PAPER.

My stock is complete and of latest patterns and best quality.

Be sure and see before buying,

ABBOTT, The Druggist.

# SPRING CLOTHING

We have just received a large consignment of Ladies', Gent's and Children's Shoes for the Spring trade. They are exceptionally good value and all made up in the . . .

# New Coin Toe.

We have bought the largest stock of Shoes we ever bought and our aim is to sell the very best shoes on the market for the price. Ask to see them-No trouble to show goods.

# SHOES.

One large bill arrived this week and there is more coming. We shall offer to clothing buyers this season the largest and most attractive line of spring suits we have ever shown. Prices guaranteed to be the lowest.

M. S. Keeler & Co.

WHICH IS SWIFT, ASPIRING, RA-DIANT AND BUOYANT.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Preaches Upon an Exalted Theme, but He Makes It Practical and Useful-The Rustle of Pinions-Divine Velocity.

Our Washington Pulpit.

In this discourse Dr. Talmage takes a most exalted theme and makes it practical and useful to the last degree. The sub-ject is "Wings of Seraphim," and the text is Isaiah vi., 2, "With twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. In a hospital of leprosy good King Uzziah had died, and the whole land was shadowed with solemnity, and theological and prophetic Isaiah was thinking about religious things, as one is apt to do in time of great national bereavement, and, forgetting the presence of his wife and two sons, who made up his family, he has a dream, not like the dreams of ordinary character, which generally come from in-digestion, but a vision most instructive and under the touch of the hand of the

Almighty. The place, the ancient temple; building grand, awful, majestic. Within that temple a throne higher and grander than that occupied by any czar or sultan or emperor. On that throne the eternal Christ. In lines, surrounding that throne, the brightest celestials, not the cherubim, but higher than they, the most exquisite and radiant of the heavenly inhabitants—the sera-They are called burners because they look like fire. Lips of fire, eyes of fire, feet of fire. In addition to the features and the limbs, which suggest a human being, there are pinions, which suggest the lithest, the swiftest, the most bucyant and the most aspiring of all uninteligent creation, a bird. Each seraph had six wings, each two of the wings for different purpose. Isaiah's dream quivers and flashes with these pinions. folded, now spread, now beaten in loco-"With twain he covered his feet, with twain he covered his face, and with twain he did fly."

Unimagined Celerity.

The probability is that these wings were not all used at once. The seraph standing there near the throne, overwhelmed at the insignificance of the paths his feet had trodden as compared with the paths trodden by the feet of God, and with the lameness of his locomotion, amounting almost to decrepitude as compared with the divine velocity, with feathery veil of angelic modesty hides the feet. "With twain he did cover the feet."

Standing there, overpowered by the overmatching splendors of God's glory and unable longer with the eyes to look upon them and wishing those eyes shaded from the insufferable glory, the pinions gather over the countenance. "With twain he over the countenance. "With twain he did cover the face." Then, as God tells this seraph to go to the farthest outposts of immensity on message of light and love and joy and get back before the first anthem, it does not take the scraph a great while to spread himself upon the air with unimagined celerity, one stroke of the wing equal to 10,000 leagues of air. "With twain he did fly."

The most practical and useful lesson for you and me—when we see the seraph spreading his wings over the feet—is the lesson of humility at imperfection. The brightest angels of God are so far beneath God that he charges them with folly. The seraph so far beneath God, and we so far beneath the scraph in service, we ought to be plunged in humility, utter and com-plete. Our feet, how laggard they have been in the divine service! Our feet, how many missteps they have taken! Our feet, in how many paths of worldliness and

folly they have walked! Neither God nor seraph intended to put any dishonor upon that which is one of the masterpieces of Almighty God—the human foot. Physiologist and anatomist are overwhelmed at the wonders of its organization. "The Bridgewater Treatise," written by Sir Charles Bell, on the wisdom and goodness of God as illustrated in the human hand was a result of the \$40.

000 bequeathed in the last will and testament of the Earl of Bridgewater for the encouragement of Christian literature. The world could afford to forgive his ec-centricities, though he had two dogs seated at his table and though he put six dogs slone in an equipage drawn by four horses and attended by two footmen. With his large bequest inducing Sir Charles Bell to write so valuable a book on the wisdom of God in the structure of the human hand, the world could afford to forgive his oddities. And the world could now afford to have another Earl of Bridgewater, however idiosyncratic, if he would induce some other Sir Charles Bell to write a book on the wisdom and goodness of God in the construction of the human foot. The articulation of its bones, the lubrication of its joints, the gracefulness of its lines, the ingenuity of its cartilages, the delicacy of

its veins, the rapidity of its muscular con traction the sensitiveness of its nerves. Apostrophe to the Foot.

sound the praises of the human foot. With that we halt or climb or march. It is the foundation of the physical fabric. It is the base of a God poised column. With it the warrior braces himself for bat-With it the orator plants himself for eulogium. With it the toiler reaches his work. With it the outraged stamps his indignation. Its loss an irreparable dis-Its health an invaluable equipment. If you want to know its value, ask the man whose foot paralysis hath shriveled, or machinery hath crushed, or sur-geon's knife hath amputated. The Bible honors it. Especial care, "Lest thou dash thy foot against a stone," "He will not suffer thy foot to be moved," "Thy feet shall not stumble." Especial charge, snail not stumble." Especial charge, "Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God." Especial peril, "Their feet shall slide in due time." Connected with the world's dissolution, "He shall set one foot on the sea and the other on

Give me the history of your foot, and I will give you the history of your lifetime. Tell me up what steps it hath gone, down what declivities and in what roads and in what directions, and I will know more about you than I want to know. None of us could endure the scrutiny. Our feet not always in paths of God, sometimes in paths of worldliness. Our feet a divine and glorious machinery for usefulness and work, so often making missteps, so often going in the wrong direction. God knowing every step, the patriarch saying, "Thou settest a print on the heels of my Crimes of the hand, crimes of the tongue, crimes of the eye, crimes of the around your hand a blue ribbon five times, ear not worse than crimes of the foot. Oh,

we want the wings of humility to cover feet! Ought we not to go into self abnegation before the all searching, all scrunegation before the an searching, and trying eye of God? The seraphs do. How much more we?

twain he covered the feet." All this talk about the dignity of human nature is braggadocio and sin. Our nature started at the hand of God regal, but it has been pauperized. There is a but it has been pauperized. well in Belgium which once had very pure water, and it was stoutly masoned with stone and brick, but that well afterward became the center of the battle of Water loo. At the opening of the battle the soldiers, with their sabers, compelled the gardener, William von Klysom, to draw water out of the well for them, and it was very pure water. But the battle raged, and 300 dead and half dead were flung into the well for quick and easy burial, so that the well of refreshment became the well of death, and long after people looked down into the well, and they saw the bleached skulls, but no water. So the human soul was a well of good, but the armies of sin have fought around it and fought across it and been slain, and it has become a well of skeletons. Dead hopes, dead resolutions, dead opportunities, dead ambitions. An abandoned well unless Christ shall reopen and purify and till it as the well of Belgium never was. Unclean, unclean

Relic Vandals. Another seraphic posture in the text, With twain he covered the face." That means reverence Godward. Never so means reverence Godward. much irreverence abroad in the world as You see it in the defaced statuary, in the cutting out of figures from fine paintings, in the chipping of monuments for a memento, in the fact that military guard must stand at the graves of Lincoln and Garfield, and that old shade trees must be cut down for firewood, though fifty George P. Morrises beg the woodmen to spare the tree, and that calls a corpse a cadaver, and that speaks of death as go-ing over to the majority and substitutes for the reverend terms father and mother 'the old man" and "the old woman," and finds nothing impressive in the ruins of Baalbec or the columns of Karnac, and sees no difference in the Sabbath from other days except it allows more dissipa-tion, and reads the Bible in what is called nigher criticism, making it not the word of God, but a good book with some fine things in it. Irreverence never so much abroad. How many take the name of God in vain, how many trivial things said about the Almighty! Not willing to have God in the world, they roll up an idea of sentimentality and humanitarianism and impudence and imbecility and call it God. No wings of reverence over the face, no taking off of shoes on holy ground. You can tell from the way they talk they could have made a better world than this, and that the God of the Bible shocks every sense of propriety. They talk of the love of God in a way that shows you they be-lieve it does not make any difference how bad a man is here he will come in at the shining gate. They talk of the love of God in a way which shows you they think it is a general jail delivery for all the abandoned and the scoundrelly of the uni-

wrong done here. The Bible gives two descriptions of God, and they are just opposite, and they are both true. In one place the Bible says God is love. In another place the Bible says God is a consuming fire. The explanation is plain as plain can be. through Christ is love. God out of Christ is fire. To win the one and to escape the other we have only to throw ourselves, body, mind and soul, into Christ's keeping.
"No," says irreverence, "I want no atonement; I want no pardon; I want no intervention. I will go up and face God, and I will ask him what he wants to do with me." So the finite confronts the Infinite, so a tack hammer tries to break a thunderbolt, so the breath of human nostrils defies the everlasting God, while the hierarchs of heaven bow the head and bend the knee as the King's chariot goes by, and the archangel turns away because he cannot endure the splendor, and the chorus of all the empires of heaven comes in with full diapason, "Holy, holy, holy!"

verse. No punishment hereafter for any

Reverence. Reverence for sham, reverence for the old merely because it is old, reverence for stupidity, however learned, reverence for ncapacity, however finely inaugurated, I have none. But we want more reverence for God, more reverence for the sacraments, more reverence for the Bible, more everence for the pure, more reverence for the good. Reverence a characteristic of all great natures. You hear it in the roll of the master oratorios. You see it in the Raphaels and Titians and Ghirlandaios. You study it in the architecture of the Aholiabs and Christopher Wrens. Do not be flippant about God. Do not joke about death. Do not make fun of the Bible. Do not deride the Eternal. The brightest and mightiest seraph cannot look unabashed upon him. Involuntarily the wings come "With twain he covered his face."

Who is this God before whom the arro gant and intractable refuse reverence? There was an engineer of the name o Strasicrates who was in the employ of Alexander the Great, and he offered to kew a mountain in the shape of his master, the emperor, the enormous figure to hold in the left hand a city of 10,000 inhabitants, while with the right hand it was to hold a basin large enough to collect all the mountain torrents. Alexander applauded him for his ingenuity, but forbade the enterprise because of its costliness. Yet I have to tell you that our King holds in one hand all the cities of the earth and all the oceans, while he has the stars of heaven

Earthly power goes from hand to hand, from Henry I. to Henry II. and Henry III., from Charles I. to Charles II., from Louis I. to Louis II. and Louis III., but from everlasting to everlasting is God. God the first, God the last, God the only. He has one telescope, with which he sees everything—his omniscience. He has one bridge with which he crosses everything—his omnipresence. He has one hammer, with which he builds everything—his omnipotence. Put two tablespoonfuls of water in the palm of your hand, and it will overflow, but Isaiah indicates that God puts the Atlantic and the Pacific and the Arctic and the Antarctic and the Mediterranean and the Black sea and all the waters of the earth in the hollow of his hand. The fingers the beach on one side, the wrist the beach on the other. holdeth the water in the hollow of his

hand." A Measure of the Earth.

As you take a pinch of salt or powder between your thumb and two fingers, so Isaiah indicates God takes up the earth. He measures the dust of the earth, the original there indicating that God takes all the dust of all the continents between the thumb and two fingers. You wrap

or it is ten handbreadths. So indicates prophet God winds the blue ribbon of the sky around his hand. "He meteth out the heavens with a span." You know that balances are made of a beam suspended in the middle with two basins at the extremity of equal heft. In that was what vast heft has been weighed. But what are all the balances of earthly manipulation compared with the balances that Isaiah saw suspended when he saw God putting into the scales the Alps and the Apennines and Mount Washington and the Sierra Nevadas. You see the earth had to be ballasted. It would not do to have too much weight in Europe, or too much weight in Asia, or too much weight in Africa or in America, so when God nade the mountains he weighed them. The Bible distinctly says so. God knows the weight of the great ranges that cross the continents, the tons, the pounds avoirdu-pois, the ounces, the grains, the milligrams -just how much they weighed then, and just how much they weigh now. weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance." Oh, what a God to Oh, what a God to disobey! Oh, what a God to disobey! Oh, what a God to dishonor! Oh, what a God to defy! The brightest, the mightiest angel takes no familiarity with God. The wings of reverence are lifted. twain he covered the face."

Another seraphic posture in the text The seraph must not always stand still. He must move, and it must be without clumsiness. There must be celerity and beauty in the movement. "With twain he did fly." Correction, exhilaration. Corection at our slow gait, for we only crawl n the service when we ought to fly at the divine bidding. Exhilaration in the fact that the soul has wings, as the scraphs have wings. What is a wing? An instru-ment of locomotion. They may not be like seraphs' wing, they may not be like birds' wing, but the soul has wings. God says so. "He shall mount up on wings as We are made in the divine imeagles." age, and God has wings. The Bible says so. "Healing in his wings." "Under the shadow of his wings." "Under whose wings hast thou come to trust?" The soul, with folded wing now, wounded wing, broken wing, bleeding wing, caged wing. Aye, I have it now! Caged within bars of bone and under curtains of flesh but one day to be free. I hear the rustle of pinions in Seagrave's poem, which we sometimes sing:

Rise, my soul, and stretch thy wings. I hear the rustle of pinions in Alexan-Pope's stanza, where he says:

I mount, I fly.
O death, where is thy victory?

Wings to Heaven. dying Christian not long ago cried "Wings, wings, wings!" The air is full of them, coming and going, coming and going. You have seen how the dull sluggish chrysalis becomes the bright butterfly-the dull and the stupid and the lethargic turned into the alert and the beautiful. Well, my friends, in this world we are in the chrysalid state. Death will unfurl the wings. Oh, if we could only realize what a grand thing it will be to get rid of this old clod of the body and mount the heavens! Neither sea gull nor lark nor albatross nor falcon nor condor, nitching from highest range of Andes, so puoyant or so majestic of stroke.

See that eagle in the mountain nest? It looks so sick, so ragged feathered, so wornout and so half asleep. Is that eagle dying? No. The ornithologist will tell you it is the molting season with that bird. Not dying, but molting. You see that Christian sick and weary and worn out and seeming about to expire on what is called his deathbed? The world says he is dying. I say it is the molting season for his soul—the body dropping away, the celestial pinions coming on. Not dying, but molting. Molting out of darkness and sin and struggle into glory and into God. Why do you not shout? Why do you sit shiver-ing at the thought of death and trying to hold back and wishing you could stay here forever and speak of departure as though the subject were filled with the skeletons and the varnish of coffins and as though you preferred lame foot to swift wing?

Oh, people of God, let us stop playing the fool and prepare for rapturous flight. When your soul stands on the verge of this life and there are vast precipices beneath and sapphired domes above, which way will you fly? Will you swoop, or will you soar? Will you fly downward, or will you fly upward? Everything on the wing this day bidding us aspire. Holy Spirit on the wing. Angel of the New Covenant on the wing. Time on the wing, flying away from us. Eternity on the wing, fly ing toward us. Wings, wings, wings!

Live so near to Christ that when you are dead people standing by your lifeless body will not soliloquize, saying: "What a disappointment life was to him; how averse he was to departure; what a pity it was he had to die; what an awful calamity." Rather, standing there may the Rather, standing there, may they see a sign more vivid on your still face than the vestiges of pain, something that will indicate that it was a happy exit—the clearance from oppressive quarantine, the ast-off chrysalid, the molting of the faded and the useless and the ascent from malarial valleys to bright, shining mountain tops, and be led to say, as they stand there contemplating your humility and your reverence in life and your happiness in death, "With twain he covered the feet, with twain he covered the face, with twain he did fly." Wings, wings, wings!

#### Measure the Results.

If we fail to measure the results that are hourly wrought on shingle and on sand, it is not because these results are unreal, but because our vision is too limited in its powers to discern them. When instead of comparing day with day we compare century with century, we may often find that land has become sea and sea has become land. Even so we perceive, at least in our neighbors, towards whom the eye is more discerning and impartial than to wards ourselves, that under the steady pressure and experience of life, human characters are continually being deter mined, modified, altered or undermined It is the office of good sense no less than of faith to realize this great truth before we see it, and to live under the conviction that our life from day to day is a true, powerful and searching discipline, molding and making us whether it be for evil or for good .- W. E. Gladstone.

People hiccough because of a muscular contraction of the diaphragm. It is supposed to be sympathetic and to arise from an effort of the diaphragm to assist the stomach to get rid of some indigested or disagreeable

#### SHIPS THROW SHELLS

**CRETAN INSURGENTS IN HALEPA** ARE BOMBARDED.

Crisis Affecting All Europe Now Believed to Be Near-Eyes of Diplomats Turned Toward Russia as the Powerful Ally of Greece

Grecian Leader Warned. War in grim earnest raged Sunday in Crete. Just a week previous the fleets of the powers landed blue jackets at Canen to maintain the peace, and ostensibly to prevent Greek troops landing at that port, Sunday these same squadrons trained their big guns on the strongholds of the Cretan insurgents and shelled them from their position. It was a day of the most intense excitement in Halepa. From early morning the insurgents had kept up a gall-ing fire on the Turkish forts. The latter returned the leaden compliments with vigor, and what with the roaring of cannon and the whizzing of bullets the peaceably inclined people in the town had a frightful experience.

It became evident in the forenoon that the admirals on the cruisers were becoming uneasy over the condition of affairs. Dispatch boats flitted from war ship to warship and flag signals were exchanged, indicating that concerted action was being arranged. Meanwhile the decks of the cruisers were being prepared for action. Guns were unmasked and marines were lined up to meet all emergencies. The socalled rebels had been warned by couriers bearing white flags that if their firing did not cease the battle ships would take a hand in the desperate melee. These warnings were scoffingly disregarded, for upon their receipt the fusillade from rebel rifles only increased

The time for action had come, and the tremendous roar of a discharged shell shook Halepa as if an earthquake had occurred beneath it. The first shot had come from Italian boats, and speedily all the other war ships joined in the bombardment.

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SPAIN MUST ANSWER.

Reparation Demanded for the Murder of an American in His Cuban Cell. Spain will have to make full reparation and give ample apology for the death of the American citizen, Dr. Ricardo Ruiz, who was last week found dead in a prison at Guanabacoa. The administration is determined to have a full investigation



of all the circumstances without delay, and the Spanish authorities have already been given to understand that this Government will suffer no red tape to interfere with a prompt ascertainment of all the facts.

Secretary Olney cabled Minister Taylor at Madrid that Dr. Ruiz died under suspicious circumstances in the Guanabacoa jail, and directing the minister to impress upon the Spanish Government the urgent wish of the United States that all the facts be made known with the least possible delay. The Spanish are adepts at making promises of this sort, but as a rule much difficulty is experienced in securing much difficulty is experienced in securing is figured as the loss from the burned or their fulfillment. In this instance, how-

HOW UNCLE SAM SUFFERS.

Cuban War Has a Bad Effect on Exports and Imports.

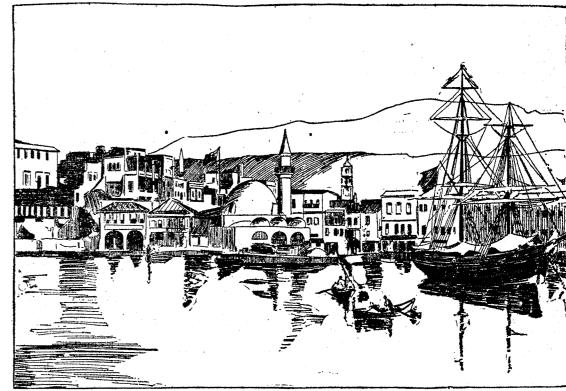
The present Cuban revolution dates rom Feb. 24, 1895. In the preceding year, 1894, the exports of all American ports to Cuba amounted collectively to more than \$20,000,000. In the same year the imports into the United States from Cuba amounted to \$75,670,000, making a total commerce between the two countries of about \$95,000,000 in one year. The figures of the fiscal year of 1896 show the extent to which commerce between the two countries has fallen off. The total exports from American ports to Cuba were \$7,500,000, or about 30 per cent of the former volume of business. From Cuba into the United States were imported during the same period goods to the value of \$40,015,000, or about 55 per

cent of the former volume of business.

The chief item of American commerce with Cuba, the chief item of importa-tion from Cuba into the United States, is, of course, sugar, and this item has fallen off about one-half. From 1895 to 1896 he importation of sugar into the United States fell off from 1,800,000,000 to 980,-000,000 pounds, from \$40,000,000 to \$21,-000,000. The other important items of import into the United States from Cuba are tobacco, bananas, drugs, wood and ore. The American exports to Cuba in-

clude in an ordinary year flour to the amount of 600,000 barrels (it has now fallen to about 300,000), coal to the amount of 400,000 tons, petroleum to the amount of 200,000 gallons (it is now 60,000), hams, tallow, lard, cotton goods and machinery. The devastation of Cuban plantations has not only reduced the number of exportable products of Cuba, but it has, moreover, decreased the market in Cuba for American products, for the planters, having no longer any valuable crops for export, are unable to pay for the articles heretofore sent to them from the United States.

It is estimated, on Cuban authority, that apart from the actual expenses incident to the prosecution of the war, the continuance of hostilities is costing fully \$75,-000,000 a year. Of this sum, \$50,000,000



CANEA, THE CAPITAL OF CRETE, SHOWING THE HARBOR AND NEIGHBORING BUILDINGS.

The fire was generally accurate, and the effect withering. The Cretan insurgents were driven pell mell from behind their breastworks, and, throwing away arms and accouterments, they hastily sought places of refuge from the hissing missiles of the fleet. The deadly ping of their bullets across the empty streets ceased, and as the firing of the big war ships stopped the cloud of gunpowder smoke floated lazily northward over the calm sea.

The admirals issued a statement directed to Cal. Vassos, encamped at Aghior-Theodori, not far from Platania. document warns Vassos that it is the intention of the admirals to attack his troops

KING GEORGE OF GREECE

should he attempt to advance to the interior of the island. None of the diplomats will talk, but it is evident the attitude of England is perplexing the cabinet. While Salisbury has refused to join the proposed blockade of Piracus, British war ships, if reports from Athens are to be credited, are helping the Turks. Meanwhile all Greece is re-joicing over their alleged control of the Island of Crete. A huge mass meeting was held at Athens, at which an address the king was adopted pledging blood and treasure to maintain Grecian supremacy in the island.

#### HOBART'S NEW HOME

It Will Be One of the Handsomest in

Washington. Vice-President Hobart will occupy one of the most beautiful homes in Washington and one which will enable him to keep up the dignity of his position to the fullest extent. The inmates of the White House, even, might look with envy upon the in-mates of the "Belmont," as the Vice-President will call his new home. "Fancy the beauty of the place," says a Washington correspondent.

A whole block of rolling ground, with lawns in good condition. It looks down upon Washington most haughtily, upon the monument, the Capitol, the new Library building, the tower of the postoffice building and all the beauty of the tree-proval of the people. lined avenues and streets. Belmont itself

ever. Secretary Olney proposes to insist that every opportunity be given Consul General Lee to learn precisely how and under what circumstances Dr. Ruiz, met his fate. If he was murdered the Spanish Government will have to make prompt

reparation.

The only information thus far received by this Government from Consul General ee is contained in two dispatches, one informing the department of Ruiz's arrest, and the second announcing his death in the Guanabacoa jail under suspicious circumstances. This cablegram called for a reply from the department, in which Consul General Lee was instructed to structions were also cabled to Minister

Taylor at Madrid, as already stated.
It is not true that Consul General Lee asked to have war ships sent to Havana. An official statement to this effect was made at the White House. The administration has no intention of sending a fleet to Cuban waters.

#### HANNA TO BE SENATOR.

Republican National Chairman Will Get Sherman's Shoes. Mark A. Hanna is to succeed John Sher

man as United States Senator from Ohio. Gov. Bushnell has given out the follow ing statement to the press:
"It had been my intention to make no announcement in relation to the action I

would take in the matter of an appointment to fill the prospective vacancy in the Ohio representation in the United States Senate until the vacancy actually existed. But, on account of the manifest interest of the people and their desire to know what will be done, I deem it best now to make the following announcement:

"When Senator Sherman resigns to enter the cabinet of President McKinley, I will



MARCUS A. HANNA

appoint to succeed him Hon. Marcus A. Hanna, of Cuyahoga County, to serve until his successor is chosen by the Seventythird General Assembly of the State.

proval of the people.
"ASA S. BUSHNELL."

horses taken for use by the soldiers of either army, and \$500,000 as the value of the cattle taken for the commissariat. The destruction of towns, railroads, bridges, stores and farms, goes to make up the balance of the loss. Cuba's chief business is with the United States among for-

NEW BABY AT HARRISON'S.

ittle Daughter Arrives at the Home

of the Ex-President.
The anxiously awaited advent of an heir at the residence of ex-President Harrison in Indianapolis took place at 5:30 o'clock



MRS. BENJAMIN HARRISON.

Sunday morning, when Mrs. Harrison presented her distinguished husband with a daughter, weighing eight and three-quarter pounds. When the announcement was made to the ex-President that the infant was a girl it was thought that a shade of disappointment passed over his face, but it passed away as quickly as it came, and he appeared to take much pleasure in the new addition to his household. Telegrams to friends throughout the country were sent announcing the event, and many congratulatory replies were received, some of them from the most distinguished men and women of the country.

It will be a year the 10th of April since the ex-President was married to Mrs. Mary Lord Dimmick of New York City, niece of his first wife. He is 64 years old and she is 42. The union has been most pleasant, although it was objected to by the two children of the general, neither of whom attended the marriage. During the last few months the children, it is said, have become more reconciled. and the daughter is said to have visited her father's house during a recent trip to the city. The friends of the family have been expressing the hope that the advent of a little Harrison might make complete he reconciliation.

Katherine, Lady Grantley, wife of Bar-on Grantley, and daughter of William H. McVicker of New York, is dead at Lon-

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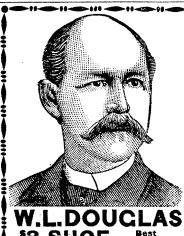
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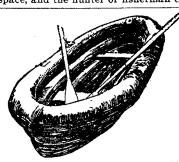
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The inventor, H. D. Layman, describes the boat in detail. He says: "This boat is made of rubbered cloth, with continuous air chambers, made in two separate compartments, extending around the top of the boat, on which oar locks are buckled, as shown in the illustration. It also has an air tube running lengthwise under the center of the boat, which serves as a rudder and bumper. The boats are capable of being deflated and packed into a small case or trunk with their seats and jointed oars, and may be carried under the seat of a buggy, or by hand, if needs be, as an outfit. The boat complete. capable of carrying comfortably three or four persons, would not weigh more than fifty pounds. The boats are made in four separate compartments, are simple, durable and absolutely safe against either capsizing or sinking, but if filled with water would then float several hundred pounds. They have been thoroughly tested both in rough and calm waters and are entirely seaworthy; at least this is the verdict of experienced boat builders, sea captains, life-savers, and other competent judges."

Current Condensations. Mica is found in North Carolina,

New Mexico and Arizona.

Georgia and elsewhere. Obsidian exists in large quantities in

The turquois has been found in New Mexico and Arizona.

Grains of platinum have been found in Colorado and California. Jasper is found abundantly in the

lake regions and elsewhere. Labradorite has been found in North

Carolina and Michigan. Chrysolites have been unearthed in

the Cumberland Mountains. Since 1820 Pennsylvania has produced 853,000,000 tons of coal.

Coal is dearer in South Africa than any other part of the world; it is cheap-

est in China. Sparrows have so much curiosity that they will gaze in mirrors by the hours

if not disturbed. One tree recently cut down in Tulare

County, California, was 33 feet in diameter at the base.

The Bank of England has decided to appoint women as clerks. Various nerchants' offices in London are doing the same thing and in certain branches of the civil service women are being employed.

titles of some of the sixteenth and seventeenth century sermons. Of such were these following: "Baruche's Sore Gently Opened and Salve Skillfully Applied," "The Snuffers of Divine Love," 'A Spiritual Mustard Pot to Make the Soul Sneeze with Devotion," "Crumbs of Comfort for Chickens of Grace," "A Balance to Weigh Facts In," "Matches Lighted at the Divine Fire," etc.

An old negro, Ralph Steele, who had lived in one family for ninety-eight years, and had helped nurse and bury full four generations of that family, died in Eutaw, Ala. He was born on A. A. Steele's place near Eutaw, and never left the Steele family. His mother had been brought from Africa but a few months before his birth. Not only was he present at the birth and burial of every member of four generations of the Steeles, but he dug the graves of every one of them.

## Pill Clothes.

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#### DEATH IN THE FLOOD

SEVERAL PEOPLE DROWNED IN OHIO VALLEY RIVERS.

Disaster to Many Towns Inundated by Swollen Streams-Houses Are Torn Apart and Residents Forced to Flee-Property Loss Is Heavy.

Floods Bring Disaster.

Streams in Kentucky are clear out of their banks and doing unmeasurable damage. Four men were drowned in eastern Centucky and one man in Butler County. Much stock has been lost, fencing swept away and other property almost ruined. The streams all through the mountains are higher than for years and the greatest damage is feared. News comes from Pineville, Ky., that two white men, while crossing a raging stream, were drowned, and also a revenue officer, who was in the mountains looking after moonshiners. Among the heaviest losers in the mountains are the lumber men, who have lost thousands of dollars' worth of timber. It has been raining for a week. The people have been forced to seek shelter on the mountains. Reports from Jackson and other places up the north fork say there has been considerable loss of life and property. Mrs. Hutzell and little daughter were drowned in their house, which was washed from the mountain side in Breathitt County. Two men whose names could not be learned were drowned in one of the streams in Bell County. In Frankfort the Kentucky river is away out of its banks. Families in the west end are being moved from their houses in boats.

For seventy-two hours, a steady rain fell over the entire area of the immense watershed of the Ohio valley, with the exception of the mountainous portions of western New York and western Pennsyl Considerable alarm is felt in Cincinnati over the rapid rise of the Ohio river. A stage of forty-five feet indicates the danger point. The river had reached forty-four feet and was rising at the rate of seven inches per hour. Reports from

all the tributaries tell of floods.

At Charlestown, W. Va., the steady rain for two days put the Kanawha and Elk rivers above the danger line. The lower part of the city is flooded, and many people had to move out of their homes.

Blizzard in Wisconsin.
Advices from northern Wisconsin are in effect that a violent snowstorm raged all day and that railway and other traffic is practically suspended. At Black River Falls, the snow is fifteen feet deep on a level. Plainfield highways are blockaded and all business is suspended.

A cyclone struck near Benwood, north of Brazil, Ind., leaving ruin in its wake The path of the storm was 100 yards wide and three miles in length. Trees were torn up and carried for miles through the air, fences were lifted and strewn over county and small buildings were caught up and twisted into splinters. Two large stock barns on the farm of M. A Johnson & Co. were lifted clear of their foundations and whirled and twisted through the air, being deposited in debris for several miles along the path of the cyclone. One barn was filled with live stock, but the animals were left standing and unhurt. The storm took the top from a buggy occupied by an employe, and car ried it two miles, doing no harm to the man or his horse. Much other damage was done by the storm.

TO FIGHT BIG STORES.

Chicago Retail Merchants Organize

Against Department Houses.
The retail dealers of Chicago are "out after" the department stores as they nevhave been before. They have all felt the fierce competition of these big combination houses downtown, and have realized they cannot compete in the matter They declare that public policy demands the abolition of the big Through the device introduced ears ago by E. J. Lehman different lines of trade were combined under one roof,

and a single high-priced man could man-age all of them. Cheap salesmen and cheaper girls, it is alleged, took the place of the competent clerks, so that expenses were greatly reduced, and prices could be cut down accordingly. It is well known er than the hat stores, stoves cheaper than the stove stores, silks cheaper than the silk stores, books cheaper than the book stores, and that every independent house in every conceivable line suffers in the struggle. Modern department stores sell practically everything. They have added photograph galleries, physicians, lawyers, dentists and even manicures to their multitude of regular lines, and representatives of those businesses have at last organized in opposition. Against the assertion that a man has a right to run as many lines of trade as he wants to they reply that the whole body of the public is damaged; that real estate values are confused; that good salesmen are thrown out of work; that child labor is encouraged, with all its possibly hurtful incidents, and that the general public in the long run pays more for its goods than it would in the old way, when each separate line of goods was displayed in a separate store.

A big meeting of retail merchants was held at the Sherman House and an organization perfected for the promotion the anti-department store bill now before the Illinois Legislature. The chief reliance of the leaders in the movement is what is called the cumulative tax system. They hold that a tax should be levied on each line of business. If a man wants to engage in a single line of trade, let him pay a tax of \$100 to the city. If he wants to manage two separate and distinct lines, let him double the fee. Here is the proposed scheme of taxation:

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Thomas L. Johnson, who was convicted at New Bloomfield, Pa., of murder in the second degree for the killing of Dr. George S. Henry of Duncannon, Pa., was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment. He attempted to kill his wife at the same time, alleging that she had been intimate

with Dr. Henry. The old board of directors, with one exception, was re-elected at the annual meeting of the National Lead Company stockholders in Jersey City, N. J. The regular quarterly dividend of 1% per cent the preferred stock was declared.

One Dollar a Week.

The vicar of St. Jude's, Birmingham, the Rev. Arnold Pinchard, describing in a local periodical called Edgbastonia the frequenters of a girls' club which he has founded, says: "In the cases of thirteen girls, taken at random, in the room one evening, it was found that they worked at very heavy work, for the most part for from ten to eieven hours a day (allowing the dinner hour). and that their wages varied from Ss. down to 4s. per week. How can they keep body and soul together under such circumstances? One need not wonder that they are what we find them. Yet one hears of even worse cases. Conceive a young girl, and a skillful and excellent needlewoman, making baby's clothing all day in a basement room by artificial light, for the magnificent sum of 4s. a week, and having to bring her own food into the bargain! 'Impossible!' some one says. Well, but to the certain knowledge of the writer this is true to-day, and is being done in one of the most fashionable and extensively patronized shops in Birmingham."

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Free Farm Labor Bureau.

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One or the Other.

Bishop Julius, of New Zealand, is much troubled by the number of spurious coins found in the church diertories of the discese. In a recent sermon he said: "I never saw so much bad coin in all my life. To offer to the church-the cause of God-money that the baker or the butcher would not accept shocks me. The man that would do that wants the grace of God bally-or three months."

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A newspaper of a wholly new sort is about to be established in one of the north country cities of England. The editor thinks he can get a lot of people to subscribe for seven years at three guineas a year, because, in return, he promises to print and pay for any articles which a subscriber sends him. This, certainly, is a great scheme, calculated to attract the attention-and guineasof every graphomaniae in Great Brit ain, and its inventor would be sure of making enormous amounts of money were it not for the fact that he reserves the right to "alter, dilate, cut out, shorten, or expand," as he sees fit, all manuscripts submitted to him for publication. This is so likely to excite the indignation of the writers who would form his constituency of contributors and readers that it seems doubtful if journalism will soon be revolutionized stomach tonic and regulator. by the ingenious innovation. The peo nle who at present cannot get their productions into print at any price or for nothing are exactly those who would object most strenuously to the change of a single word, and the prospect of seeing a three-column essay reduced to a three-line paragraph is one which

they would not face for a moment .--

New York Times.

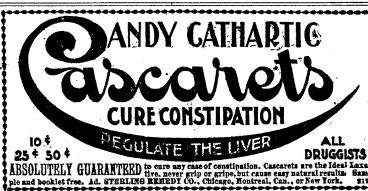
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# RIPANS Tabules

tale of woe, one day offered me a Tabule and said he would guaran tee it to action the liver. I took it under protest, but was surprised with the result. It was gentle but effective, and since then I have gradually noted an entire change in the working of my system, and I think that Ripans Tabules are the best remedy for liver and stomach treables this side of anywhere. They are really in my case a substi-

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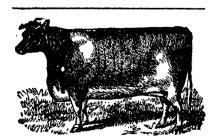
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#### THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1897.

Ÿ>>>>>>Ÿ Coming Events.

Ã>>>>>>>>> It is expected that the orchestra will furnish music for " Josiah's Courtship" to be given by the senior class, March

18. Don't miss it. as usual in the evening. Quarterly

M. E. church Sunday morning. Services conference meeting will be held Tuesday evening. J. C. Doris, pastor.

The reading club will meet with Mrs. Dietrich, Wednesday afternoon, March 10. Current events, Mrs. Dietrich: reader, Mrs. Cobb; spelling, Mrs questions, Mrs. Ferguson; critic, Mrs. French; quotations, Satis-

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subject for a. m., "The Winning Sabbath school at close of morning service. Junior C. E., 3:30 p. n. Y. P. S. C. E., 6 p. m. Subject, 'Opportunities to Do Good-Seeing Them, Using Them." Leader, Miss M. Gertrude Shay. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7 p. m. Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7 p. m. A most cordial welcome to all.

The Epworth League has been very fortunate in securing another date with the "Wagner Male Quartette" of Grand Rapids, who will render one of their excellent concerts in the M. E. church uext Monday evening, March 8: It will be remembered that their last engagement here was cancelled, owing to some of the campaign dates conflicting with theirs, and although the company were desirous of filling the engagement it was decided best to postpone to some future date. This quartette comes very highly recommended as being one of the best in the country and the citizens of Middleville and vicinity may reel assured that this is no "bum" quartette, but one that renders first-class music in first-class style. The price of admission has been put down to 15c and 20c, and if you wish to hear a number one quartette, come out and hear the "Wagner Maie Quartette Concert Co." dext Monday evening.

#### CONG'L AID SOCIETY.

The Congregational Aid society will neet in the church parlors. Friday March 5. The following ladies will serve tea from 5 to 7. Mrs. W. J. Hayward, Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. R. M. Johnson, Mrs. W. K. Liebler, Mrs. Laden, Mrs. Abrams, Mrs. L. Johnson A cordial invitation is extended to all

#### M. E. AID SOCIETY.

The M. E. Aid society will meet in the church parlors, Friday p. m., March 12. Business meeting at 3 o'clock. Ladies to entertain: Mrs. r'rank Cisler, Mrs. M. Cisler, Mrs. Chas. Cook, Mrs. C. Fenton, Mrs. W. Foster, Mrs. Farnum, Mrs. I. Gibbs, Mrs. W. Gibbs. Tea from 5 to 7. A cordial invitation to all.

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For auction bills, call at the SUN office.

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Wheat (white)				80
Rye				27
Corn, per bu				20
Oats				20
Timothy			1	75
Clover Seed	1	50	5	00
Flour (roller)	•	00	2	60
Bran per ton			10	00
Middlings			12	00
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Land Plaster.....

Potatoes.....

#### V>>>>>>>>>> Society's Doings.

**v**>>>>>>>>> Bert Severance entertained company at whist, Monday night. Georgie Armstrong gave a party and

little friends, the occasion being his sixth birthday,

About ten of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tolburst took dinner with Quarterly meeting will be held at the them at their home Monday, All report a pleasant time.

The dance given by the K. of P. lodge last Thursday night was not as well attended as usual, but there was none the less enjoyment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cook give a farewell party Friday evening to their many friends in the village. They intend moving to Sturgis in three or four

One of the pleasant events of the season was the card party given last Friday evening by Miss Zoe Sanford. About forty invited guests were pres ent and were highly entertained with rising pedro. After the serving of refreshments of ice-cream, cake and oranges, the evening's record was read and the prizes awarded to the lucky ones, who proved to be A. M. Gardner and Mrs. W. J. Hayward. At a late hour the company departed, all giving expression of a most enjoyable evening.

Friday evening, Feb. 26, at the home of Mr. Iva and Miss Lydia Adam, Duncan lake, Miss Gaskell gave her scholars and patrons a very pleasant entertainment, it being the closing day of the winter term. The evening was spent in recitations, vocal and instrumental music, games, etc., after which all were treated to a liberal supply of peanuts and pop-corn. All returned to their homes feeling well repaid and with a greater interest in the education of the young.

The reception at the M. E. church last Friday evening, in honor of the new pastor, Rev. J. C. Doris and wife, was a very pleasant affair and a very large attendance. People coming and going constantly from 8 till 10 o'clock. The guests, after being presented to the pastor and wife, by Miss Mae Bassett, assisted by Mr. Norman Webb. were escorted to the dining room. where cake and ice cream were served. Many lingered in the parlor for a short social time, and everyone attending were most cordially received and wait, d upon in a very nice manner. May success attend the efforts of the M. E.

#### SCHOOL ITEMS.

[Teachers are requested to hand in reports of their school and other news items.] Bertha Jordan and Daisy Dowling have returned to school after several weeks' illness.

The orthography class completes its work Friday.

The eleventh grade begins the study of botany, Monday.

Milton Murphy of Hastings visited the high school, Monday.

The senior class of our high school will give the drama "Josiah's Courtship" in the opera hall, Thursday evening March 18, 1897. Don't fail to be

#### NORTH IRVING.

March comes in cloudy but mild

A lot of us enjoyed the leaf social held at Mr. Hills' at Irving, Friday

Burns and Lewie Walker were in Hastings over Sunday.

John Trego and M. Coulter enjoyed and 110 employes, publish and send out Saturday's blizzard by drawing sheep

> Rev. Mr. Hollister, a former pastor, Rev. Mr. Hollister, a former pastor, tively cures piles or no pay required talked to the people at this place last It is guaranteed to give perfect satis Sunday and was very much appreciated. Still several of our number are sick,

some not calling a physician. Dr. Hendershott was called to Mr. Sutherland's Sunday.

Quite a visiting time, every one wants to "look out" for they may have

Last Friday was quite a day for schoels around here. Miss Hubbard's school in Powers district closed that day and she with her little flock took a sleigh ride to Miss Flora Trego's school at Rutland No. 1 and they, having made preparations to surprise Miss Hubbard that day, were surprised first. So, after a little time of pleasure, both schools writed and an in a debilitating condition; have tried best physicians and most widely advertised remedies, but there is no cure for my case. No matter what your past areas and most widely advertised remedies, but there is no cure for my case. So, after a little time of pleasure, both schools united and came to our school, surprising Miss Rena Trego. She must have thought she was taken, surely, but by the many flags displayed and patriotic songs sung one could not doubt that true patriotism was being instilled in their young minds. Another bright spot in their young lives.

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#### <u>v</u>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> School Column.

[Edited by Flora J. Beadle. Commr.] V>>>>>>>>>>>

The tendency of the state eighth grade examinations is toward the practical. Thinking that some might be sleigh ride Wednesday evening to his interested in examining into the nature and tendency of the questions used at these examinations, we publish below those in one or two of the subjects required.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

1 Clearness and accuracy of statement, neatness in preparing papers, and legible writing, should count for this number. 2. (ii) If none of the presidential candidates had received a majority in the electoral col-lege at the last election, how would a presi-dent have been chosen?

(b) What is the difference between a plurality and a majority?

3. (a) How many representatives and sena-tors in the congress of the United States, and how does the election of representatives dif-fer from that of senators?

(b) How many has Michigan in congress and how many in her legislature? 4. (a) Name your supervisor, representa-tive in the state legislature, and representa-tive in congress.

(b) In what respect are the duties of the above offices alike?

5. (a) What is an income tax? A tax for revenue only?

(b) Who is the present speaker of the national house of representatives? f. (a) What is meant by county seat, court couse, jail. constable, and sheriff?

(b) What do you understand by the Australian ballot? 7. (a) Name the officers constituting the township board, and show why it would be wrong to have the township treasurer a member of this board.

(b) Who assesses property in a township? How is this officer chosen? 8. (a) How and when is the annual school census taken?

(b) Whose duty is it to take the district census and what persons are included in it? 9. (a) Where is vested the power to establish and maintain postoffices?

(b) How are post-masters appointed? 10. (a) What is a caucus? How is it called?

(b) How are the prisons and reformatory institutions of Michigan maintained? ARITHMETIC. 1. (a) Express each of the following as a mixed number, first with a common fraction. second with a decimal: 17-4, 19-8, 11-3, 13-6, 122-11.

(b) Express each of the following in words: 900.0901, 3.0001, 3,000,555.01, 6006.006,

2. (a) Define and give examples of the various kinds of fractions. (b) Il'ustrate and explain the various ys in which the value of a fraction may

3. (a) State and solve some problem in which the process of cancelation may be profitably used.

(b) State and solve some problem involv-ing the extraction of square roof. 4. (a) Give the tables of measure to be used if you were purchasing cloth, coal, or wood.

(b) Define weight and give the three principal tables in full.

5. (a) At \$1.25 per yd., find the cost of carpeting a stairway having 20 steps, each of which has 11½ in, tread and 6½ in, rise, ½ yd, being used for landing, 1½ yds for the turning, and ½ yd, for moving up when the edges are worn. (b) How many acres in a roadway 100 rds. long and 18 yds wide?

6. (a) Can two prime numbers have a common divisor? Explain. Give two composite numbers that are prime to each other. Explain why. (b) Give rule for finding L. C. M.

7. (a) Make out and receipt a bill for the following items purchased by yourself on the day preceding examination from some dealer at your county sext: ½ doz. lead pencils at 5c per doz.; 1½ quires of paper at \$2.40 per ream; and 1 doz. pens at 72c per purchase. (b) What sum of money, if put at interest for ten years at 7 per cent, will purchase a school library of 100 vols. at an average cost 65e per vol?

8. (a) What decimal of a week is .49 of a day (b) What part of 3 pks. is 2 pk, 4 qt.

9. (a) A grain dealer in Chicago reserved \$5.12 with directions to purchase wheat at 70c a bushel, after deducting his commission at 2½ per cent. How many bushels could heavy?

(b) A merchant bought a bill of goods amounting to \$575 on 60 days credit; but obtaining the money, he cashed the bill at 5 per cent off. Find cost of the goods.

10. (a) What is 6 per cent of 60? Of what is 60 6 per cent? 6 is what per cent of 60?

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ernoon, for the purpose aforesaid. Dated, this 22d day of February, A

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